Victoria Police Department

Missing Person – Amanda Stevenson

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Released By: VPD Public Relations
Date: November 27, 2023

The Victoria Police Department continues asking for the community’s assistance in locating Amanda Stevenson.

Amanda Stevenson Description:
- Female - 20 years of age.
- She is 5’1” and weighs approximately 125 pounds.
- Last seen wearing a gray hooded sweatshirt and sweatpants with black shoes.
- It is believed that Amanda's last known location was near Salem Road on Monday, November 19, 2023.

Victoria Police Department’s Synopsis:
- Victoria Police Department received a telephone call from Amanda’s mother, initially reporting her missing on Tuesday, November 21, 2023, at 10:30 a.m.
- The department has worked tirelessly since the development of additional evidence indicating the missing person's investigation should be elevated to “critical” status.
- Amanda’s cell phone was found locked without a known password; however, efforts are being made to collect forensic data from that device.
- It was determined early that she has a known associate who would provide transportation around the area. This associate has also been known to work for a ride-share service.
- The detectives had initially interviewed this man regarding the location of Amanda, and in an attempt to reinterview him, a traffic stop was conducted on Wednesday. During that traffic stop, he took his own life. The Texas Rangers are the primary agency handling that incident. The vehicle is in police custody.
- After discovering the locations where the associate was recently known to frequent, these locations were cursorily searched by detectives and county law enforcement.
- Over twenty members of the department have searched a piece of property near the city of Yoakum with scent-sensitive dogs and drones several times with both consent from the
cooperating spouse of the now-deceased associate and an additional search via a search warrant.

- Likewise, multiple additional locations have been searched by department members.
- Behind the scenes, advanced technological efforts are being conducted; however, some software efforts are being thwarted by the lack of passwords and are taking time to obtain information. Other agency's technology is also being utilized.
- Officers have conducted several briefings to ensure that all of the information is shared and reevaluated by detectives
- The department has assigned a Captain who will provide updates on the investigation to Amanda’s mother.
- VPD alerted other police departments within a 200-mile radius immediately after the incident began and obtained information to supplement the initial report to the Missing Person’s clearinghouse.

The public should avoid speculating what may have happened, creating a false narrative.

The public must know that the Victoria Police Department is doing everything possible to find Amanda.

Anyone with information related to the disappearance of Amanda Stevenson is encouraged to contact Victoria Crime Stoppers at 361-572-4200.

Detectives believe this to be an isolated incident. This is an ongoing investigation.