Vanessa,

I was able to locate a page on our website; however, the photos are not hi res.
https://mpdc.dc.gov/publication/%E2%80%9Cfreeway-phantom%E2%80%9D-homicide-victims

Hope this helps...

Office of Communications
Metropolitan Police Department
300 Indiana Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20001
()
202.727.4383 (main)

Mpdc.dc.gov
Twitter @DCPoliceDept

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Thanks so much for your quick reply – and I'll follow up your suggestions. Regards, Vanessa
From: "Press, MPD (MPD)" <mpd.press@dc.gov>
Date: Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 2:40 PM
To: "Colls, Vanessa"
Subject: RE: Re : HI RES images of the Freeway Phantom victims....

Hello,

Unfortunately, our office has recently not distributed these photos to any media, so I’m unaware as to what the Washington Post’s actually source is.

I recommend contacting our FOIA office at (202) 727-3721. You can also try reaching out PG County PD, as they also were investigating a portion of these homicides.

Best,

Office of Communications
Metropolitan Police Department
300 Indiana Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20001

202.727.4383 (desk)

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Hi Press, Every month in Fate & Fortune magazine we have a feature where an event remains a mystery, there was an unsolved crime or something spooky happened. This coming issue we are talking about the Freeway Phantom. I contacted the Washington Post for images of the victims and they pointed me in your direction. Can you email me anything you have to do with this case please? Here’s a link to the feature that appeared in the Washington Post:-
Many thanks. Vanessa

Vanessa Colls
Picture Editor
Spirit & Destiny/Fate & Fortune
Academic House, 24-28 Oval Rd

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Mr. Blaine Pardoe

Amissville, Virginia 20106

Re: FOIA Request No.: 2018-FOIA-00658

Dear Mr. Pardoe:

This letter is in response to the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for the following:

"...a photograph of Robert E. Askins. He was arrested multiple times in Washington DC, the last time being in the 1970’s. I know that a photo exists of him - it may be in the files related to the Freeway Phantom killings. Askins is dead - he died in prison. I desire a digital or good hard copy of him. You should have booking photos of him on file. I have been told by former officers that one exists of him."

A review indicates that we do not have a record of having received an agreement to pay for FOIA processing services, such as for time to search for records that may be responsive to your request, in accordance with the October 29, 2018, acknowledgement letter. Therefore, we have closed our case file for this FOIA request. You may resubmit your request, along with a statement of willingness to pay potential processing fees.

Please know that, under D.C. Official Code § 2-537 and 1 DCMR § 412, you have the right to appeal this letter to the Mayor or to the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. If you elect to appeal to the Mayor, your appeal must be in writing and contain “Freedom of Information Act Appeal” or “FOIA Appeal” in the subject line of the letter, as well as, on the outside of the envelope. The appeal must include (1) a copy of the original request; (2) a copy of any written denial; (3) a statement of the circumstances, reasons, and/or arguments advanced in support of disclosure; and (4) a daytime telephone number, an e-mail and/or U.S. mailing address at which you can be reached.

The appeal must be mailed to: The Mayor’s Office of Legal Counsel, FOIA Appeal, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 407, Washington, D.C. 20004. Electronic versions of the same information can instead be e-mailed to The Mayor’s Office of Legal Counsel at foia.appeals@dc.gov. Further, a copy of all appeal materials must be forwarded to the Freedom
of Information Officer of the involved agency, or to the agency head of that agency, if there is no designated Freedom of Information Officer there.

Failure to follow these administrative steps will result in delay in the processing and commencement of a response to your appeal to the Mayor.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]

FOIA Specialist
Metropolitan Police Department
Freedom of Information Act Office
(202) 727-3721
[Redacted]@dc.gov
Dear Mr. Davis,

Our office is in receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. Your FOIA request number is 2022-FOIA-00436 and your assigned FOIA Specialist is [REDACTED].

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact your assigned FOIA Specialist, who is included in this e-mail. Be advised, due to the current public health emergency, our office is working remotely and can be reached via e-mail. For ease of reference, we ask that you have your FOIA Request Number available when you contact our office.

**NOTE:** Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-532(c), there is a 15 business day statutory allotted time, subject to the possibility of a ten (10) business day extension from the date of receipt to respond to a **FOIA request**.

If your request is for Body Worn Camera (BWC) footage, there is a 25 business day statutory allotted time, subject to the possibility of 15 working-day extension from the date of receipt to respond to a **Body Worn Camera (BWC) request**.

**REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED SERVICE**

If you seek expedited service relating to your FOIA request, please be advised, there is no provision or authority under the District of Columbia Freedom of Information Act laws, to provide expedited service. Therefore, your request will be processed under the provision of the D.C. Official Code §§ 2-531 et seq.

Regards,

[REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Office
Metropolitan Police Department
300 Indiana Ave NW, RM 4153
Washington, DC 20001
Hello inspector Parker,

AFIS only has the black and white photos from the back of the gallery cards. There are no photos in our current mugshot system MorphoFace Detective.

Regards,

[Information Technology Bureau information]

“Join Mayor Bowser at DC DHCD’s Housing Expo, June 15, 10-3 at the Convention Center. Home-buying & rental housing programs, remodeling tips, get free credit reports & counseling & a $4,800 living room furniture giveaway, all in one place. Register today! #JuneHousingBloom"
You are welcome.

Thanks

Thank you for making the edits.

Ok, to release.

Supervisory FOIA Specialist
Freedom of Information Act Office (FOIA)
300 Indiana Avenue, NW #4153
Metropolitan Police Department
Washington, DC 20001
(202) 727-3721
@dc.gov

“We are here to help”

Good afternoon

Please find attached, the REVISED draft of the final response letter for your review and approval.
Kind Regards,

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From: [Redacted] (MPD) [Redacted]@dc.gov
Sent: Friday, April 17, 2020 12:45 PM
To: [Redacted] (MPD) [Redacted]@dc.gov
Subject: Re: OPEN INVESTIGATION: Draft of Final Response Letter - 2020-FOIA-04858

Ok got it

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From: [Redacted] (MPD) [Redacted]@dc.gov
Sent: Friday, April 17, 2020 12:44 PM
To: [Redacted] (MPD) [Redacted]@dc.gov

Also use the same language as we do for OUC because the requester can submit their request to the web portal to OCME.

Thank you,

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From: [Redacted] (MPD)
Sent: Friday, April 17, 2020 12:35 PM
To: [Redacted] (MPD) [Redacted]@dc.gov
Subject: OPEN INVESTIGATION: Draft of Final Response Letter - 2020-FOIA-04858

Good Afternoon

Please find attached a draft of a final response letter for your review and approval.

This is an Open Investigation, with a referral to OCME.

Kind regards,

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For the latest information on the District Government’s response to COVID-19 (Coronavirus), please visit coronavirus.dc.gov.
(Task: Final Actions)
4/17/2020 - Also sent referral to OCME.

April 17 2020 01:26:53 PM

(Task: Other)
4/17/2020 - Approved for release per email from Supervisor.

4/17/2020- Per consultation with Supervisor, revisions made to the final response letter.

4/17/2020 - A draft of the final response letter forwarded to Supervisor for review and approval.

4/17/2020 - Received an email from Homicide; Advised this case is an "Open Investigation".

4.17.2020 - A review of this request determined it is still an open investigation. Will send an e-mail to Homicide to confirm the status. In addition, the requester is seeking autopsies which she should be directed to OCME.

April 17 2020 01:05:10 PM
Thank you Sgt. [Redacted] for the update. Can you please complete the attached certification.

To all have a great and safe evening.

[Redacted]
Metropolitan Police Department
300 Indiana Avenue, NW, Rm 4153
Washington, DC 20001
(202) 727-3721
[Redacted]@dc.gov

“We are here to help”

Good Afternoon,

These cases remain open. Our records for these cases are contained within 4 boxes.

Sergeant [Redacted]
Criminal Investigations Division
Homicide Branch, Operations
Metropolitan Police Department
101 M Street SW
Washington, DC 20024
[Redacted]@dc.gov
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On Jul 17, 2018, at 11:38, [mask]@dc.gov" <[mask]@dc.gov> wrote:

Request for Documents for Request # '2018-FOIA-06137'. Your response due date is: 7/24/2018 12:00:00 AM Message from SENDER:

The attached FOIA request has been assigned to your unit. **NOTE: Please advise if this case is still an open investigation as it relates to the Freeway Phantom Murders**

FOIA Request No: 2018-FOIA-06137

FOIA Specialist: [mask]

Due Date: July 24, 2018

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Conduct a search for any and all responsive documents and complete the attached certification.

2. Scan the responsive documents and the completed certification.

3. If you have access to Adobe Acrobat Professional, mark any redactions you wish to make, but do not apply the redactions. Send via e-mail the marked version of the documents and the certification to the **assigned FOIA Specialist** noted above.

   or

If you do not have access to Adobe Acrobat Professional, print a hard copy of the documents and use a yellow highlighter to highlight any information you wish to redact. Scan the highlighted documents and send via e-mail: (1) the scanned highlighted documents, (2) the scanned clean copy (not highlighted), and (3) the completed certification to the **assigned FOIA Specialist** noted above.
If you have any questions and/or require an extension of the deadline for your unit, please contact the assigned FOIA Specialist at (202) 727-3721.

All D.C. employees are required to comply with FOIA under D.C. Official Code § 2-537(e). Failure to properly respond to a FOIA request may be a misdemeanor under D.C. Official Code § 2537(d).

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**Description of the Request:**
I am looking for any and all available information regarding the Freeway Phantom murders involving the following victims:

Carol Denise Spinks - 4/25/1971
Darlenia Denise Johnson - 7/8/1971
Brenda Faye Crockett - 7/27/1971
Nenomoshia Yates - 10/1/1971
Brenda Denise Woodard - 11/15/1971
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**Custom Fields:**

**Data Types**

- **Data Formats:** Documents (letters, memos, reports, manuals, etc.), Structured Data (database records, spreadsheets)

**Description of the Request:**
I am requesting any and all files pertaining to the Freeway Phantom murders that took place in Washington D.C between 1971 and 1972 including files on the victims, suspects, persons of interest, and evidence reports. The victims and dates their bodies were found are as follows:

1. Carol Denise Spinks - 5/1/1971
2. Darleenia Denise Johnson - 7/19/1971
4. Nenomoshia Yates - 10/1/1971
5. Brenda Denise Woodard - 11/16/1971
6. Diane Dinnis Williams - 9/6/1972

Suspects and persons of interest include:

1. members of the Green Vega Gang (John Davis, Morris Warren, Paul Fletcher, Paul Brooks, Melvin Gray)
2. Robert Elwood Askins
3. Jessie Tobin
4. George Bullock
5. Dennis Allen Dixon
6. Donald Nathan Tyler
7. Roger Allen Wanzer

Evidence analysis reports or files pertaining to:
1. green synthetic fibers found on the victims' bodies
2. DNA evidence found at crime scenes
3. hair found on the victims' bodies
4. any additional physical evidence related to the murders

(Date Range for Record Search: From 04/25/1971 To 12/31/1972)
**Address:**

- Address 1: [Redacted]
- Address 2: -
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Thank you,

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Kind regards,

For the latest information on the District Government’s response to COVID-19 (Coronavirus), please visit coronavirus.dc.gov.
Ok thanks, I will make the revision.

Kind Regards,

Hi,

Please remove the (3)(B). I believe the case is still open because they have not found the murder; therefore, not a court case.

Thank you,

Freedom of Information Act Office (FOIA)
300 Indiana Avenue, NW #4153
Metropolitan Police Department
Washington, DC 20001

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Hi [redacted] Please also contact PIO and see if they have anything?

Inspector Vendette T. Parker
Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Officer
Metropolitan Police Department
300 Indiana Avenue, NW Suite 4153
Washington, DC 20001
Office [redacted]
vendette.parker@dc.gov

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Good Afternoon,

Of the 6 homicides attributed to the Freeway Phantom, only 2 bodies cases were investigated by our homicide office. The Brenda Woodard homicide was handled by PG County Police. Our certification form is attached.

Sergeant [redacted]
Criminal Investigations Division
Homicide Branch, Operations
Metropolitan Police Department
101 M Street SW
Washington, DC 20024
[redacted]@dc.gov
202-299-3434 (Main)
[redacted] (Office)
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From: [redacted] (MPD)
Sent: Tuesday, April 09, 2019 7:18 AM
To: [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); Adminbox, CID (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); Parsons, Leslie (MPD); Adminbox, ISB (MPD)
Cc: [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD)
Subject: RE: New FOIA request 2019-FOIA-04182

Good Morning,

This case file is contained within 4 boxes. We will need time to search the boxes for the photo requested and research if the photo was actually released to the public.

Thanks

Sergeant [redacted]
Criminal Investigations Division
Homicide Branch, Operations
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From: latrina.crumlin2@dc.gov
Sent: Monday, April 08, 2019 11:40 AM
To: [redacted] (MPD)
Cc: [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); Parker, Vendette (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); Adminbox, CID (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); Parsons, Leslie (MPD); Adminbox, ISB (MPD)

Subject: New FOIA request 2019-FOIA-04182

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Request for Documents for Request # '2019-FOIA-04182'. Your response due date is: 4/15/2019 12:00:00 AM

Message from SENDER:

The attached FOIA request has been assigned to your unit.

**FOIA Request No: 2019-FOIA-04182**

**FOIA Specialist:** [redacted]

**Due Date:** April 15, 2019

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Conduct a search for any and all responsive documents and complete the attached certification.

2. Scan the responsive documents and the completed certification.

3. If you have access to Adobe Acrobat Professional, mark any redactions you wish to make, but do not apply the redactions. Send via e-mail the marked version of the documents and the certification to the assigned FOIA Specialist noted above.

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If you have any questions and/or require an extension of the deadline for your unit, please contact the assigned FOIA Specialist at (202) 727-3721.

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This week is National Crime Victims’ Rights Week. If you or someone you know has been the victim of a crime, please call or text the DC Victim Hotline at 1-844-4HELPDC or visit https://dcvictim.org today for support, information, and referrals.
Hi Genevieve,

These cases were purged by our department years ago and are no longer active investigations. I recommend reaching out PG County PD, as they also were investigating a portion of these homicides.

Best,

[Email signature]

We are here to help.

Hi [Redacted]

Here are some questions I still have:

1) What is the status of the Freeway Phantom case?
2) Are all the investigators from the Freeway Phantom cases all gone or retired from MPD?
3) I need police reports, etc. How do I submit a FOIA request?
Thanks,
Genevieve

On Mon, Feb 4, 2019 at 12:48 PM Press, MPD (MPD) <mpd.press@dc.gov> wrote:

Hi Genevieve,

After further review, we respectfully decline your interview request.

Best,

[Redacted]
Public Affairs Specialist
Office of Communications (PIO)
Metropolitan Police Department
300 Indiana Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20001
(office)
202.727.4383 (main)
(cell)
@dc.gov
Mpdc.dc.gov
Twitter @DCPoliceDept

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am a producer with "People Magazine Investigates" on Discovery ID. We are looking to do an episode about the Freeway Phantom Murders, a string of unsolved murders that occurred in 1971-1972. I am reaching out to see if anybody from DC Police is available to do on camera interviews. Right now, it's looking like the interviews will happen in March.

Thank you.

--
Genevieve Wong | Producer
https://mpdc.dc.gov/publication/%E2%80%9Cfreeway-phantom%E2%80%9D-homicide-victims

The only document that I can locate in our files that has been released regarding the incident is the reward flyer on the webpage above. No press releases, case files or photographs (outside of what is included on the reward flyer) have been disseminated.

The MPD Press Office was contacted on September 20, 2017 by a local documentary filmmaker conducting research on the cases but his interview requests were declined. The requestee was Brian Bullock of Bundy Films.

Dustin Sternbeck  
Director, Office of Communications  
Metropolitan Police Department  
300 Indiana Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20001  
202.727.9346 (office)  
[redacted] (cell)  
dustin.sternbeck@dc.gov

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Request for Documents for Request # '2018-FOIA-00950'. Your response due date is: 11/29/2017 12:00:00 AM  
Message from SENDER:

The attached FOIA request has been assigned to your unit. **NOTE:** The FOIA Office is seeking any **public documents that have been released to the public** and may be in your archives with regards to the "Freeway Phantom Killings," please advise.

FOIA Request No: 2018-FOIA-00950

FOIA Specialist: [redacted]

Due Date: November 29, 2017

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Kind Regards,

From:

Ok got it

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Kind regards,
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Please see attached.

Thank you!

Best,

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Request for Documents for Request # '2018-FOIA-00950'. Your response due date is: 11/29/2017 12:00:00 AM Message from SENDER:

The attached FOIA request has been assigned to your unit. NOTE: The FOIA Office is seeking any public documents that have been released to the public and may be in your archives with regards to the "Freeway Phantom Killings," please advise.

FOIA Request No: 2018-FOIA-00950

FOIA Specialist: [redacted]

Due Date: November 29, 2017
INSTRUCTIONS

1. Conduct a search for any and all responsive documents and complete the attached certification.

2. Scan the responsive documents and the completed certification.

3. If you have access to Adobe Acrobat Professional, mark any redactions you wish to make, but do not apply the redactions. Send via e-mail the marked version of the documents and the certification to the assigned FOIA Specialist noted above.

   or

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Good Morning,

Thank you.

Have a great weekend.

Sergeant
Criminal Investigations Division
Homicide Branch, Operations
Metropolitan Police Department
101 M Street SW
Washington, DC 20024

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We've worked out an arrangement with [redacted] so no unnecessary copies need to be made. I'll let you know once we have what satisfies the request. Thank

Vendette T. Parker
Inspector
Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Officer
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Office [redacted]
vendette.parker@dc.gov

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On Nov 17, 2017, at 9:32 AM, [redacted] (MPD) [redacted]@dc.gov wrote:

Good Afternoon,

These cases are open and are contained within 6 boxes. I have no timeline for when these files can be copied.

Sergeant [redacted]
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From: [redacted]@dc.gov [mailto:[redacted]@dc.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, November 15, 2017 10:23 AM
To: [redacted] (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); Parker, Vendette (MPD); [redacted] (MPD); Adminbox, CID (MPD); [redacted] (MPD);
Request for Documents for Request # '2018-FOIA-00950'. Your response due date is: 11/22/2017 12:00:00 AM

Message from SENDER:

The attached FOIA request has been assigned to your unit.

FOIA Request No: 2018-FOIA-00950

FOIA Specialist: [Name]

Due Date: November 22, 2017

INSTRUCTIONS

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Take 5 Minutes to nominate an exemplary DC Government employee or team for the 17th Annual Cafritz Awards (DEADLINE is NOV. 30)!
August 9, 2018

Janet Norris

Re: FOIA Request No.: 2018-FOIA-06544

Dear Ms. Norris,

This e-mail is in response to the above referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for the following:

I am requesting from the MPD information regarding “The Freeway Phantom” serial murder cases during the period April 1971 through September 1972. Please provide any audio, video files, documents (letters, memos, reports, manuals, etc.) or structured data (database records, spreadsheets). In addition, due to the issues with the request form, I would like to request any of the same documents from the Chief Medical Examiner’s Office. I am attaching my ID, as the request form would not allow me to attach it.

Per a search conducted by personnel assigned to the Metropolitan Police Department, the search determined portions of the documents you are seeking are a part of an ongoing criminal investigation. With the exception of the attached documents which were deemed public records, the release of documents could interfere with by revealing the direction and pace of the investigation. It could lead to attempts to destroy or alter evidence, reveal information about potential witnesses who could then be subjected to intimidation as part of an effort to frustrate future investigative activities, or could place witnesses in danger. For these reasons they are exempt from disclosure pursuant to DC Official Code §2-534(3)(A)(i) and (3)(B).

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The appeal must be mailed to: The Mayor’s Office of Legal Counsel, FOIA Appeal, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 407, Washington, D.C. 20004. Electronic versions of the same information can instead be e-mailed to the Mayor’s Office of Legal Counsel at foia.appeals@dc.gov. Further, a copy of all appeal materials must be forwarded to the Freedom of Information Officer of the involved agency, or to the agency head of that agency, if there is no designated Freedom of Information Officer there.

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Regards,

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“We are here to help”
Mr. Pardoe,

This e-mail is in response to the above listed subject FOIA request for the following:

Case files and photographs relating to the freeway Phantom killings.

- April 25, 1971, Carol Spinks
- July 8, 1971, Darlenia Johnson
- July 27, 1971, Brenda Crockett
- October 1, 1971, Nemomoshia Yates
- November 15, 1971, Brenda Woodward
- September 5, 1972, Diane Williams

Per a search conducted by personnel assigned to the Metropolitan Police Department, the search determined that the requested records pertain to an open investigation. With the exception of the attached documents which were deemed public records, a release of such information would interfere with law enforcement proceedings; therefore, exempt from disclosure pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-534(a)(3)(i). Because this is an ongoing and active investigation, release of this information may give opportunity to witnesses or suspect(s) to conform any future testimony to what is learned in the investigative file. Be advised, although there were six (6) murders connected to “the Freeway Phantom” only two (2) (Carol Spinks and Darlenia Johnson) were found in the District of Columbia and investigated by the DC Metropolitan Police Department. The other four (4) murders are being investigated by the Prince George’s County, Maryland Police Homicide Unit.

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Sincerely,

[Redacted]
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Washington, DC  20001
(202) 727-3721
[Redacted] c.gov

We are here to help.
August 6, 2018

Blaine Pardoe

Amisville, VA 20106

Re: FOIA Request No.: 2018-FOIA-06137

Dear Mr. Pardoe,

This e-mail is in response to the above referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for the following:

What we are asking for two things. One, a reconsideration of our request for the case files on the Freeway Phantom cases. Two, we would like the name of your contact in the Cold Case Team who we can ask questions of. Police Departments that have worked with us (Michigan State Police, the Battle Creek Police Department) have found this gives them a degree of control and insight as to what will be printed in the book.

With regards to item 1, your request was considered; however, cannot be granted. The Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) has released the documents that are publicly available.

With regards to item 2 of your request, Mr. Dustin Sternbeck, MPD’s Public Information Officer is the contact person if you have any additional questions. You may reach him at (202) 727-4383.

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Ms. Laini Justi
Finch Productions

Re: FOIA Request No.: 2019-FOIA-05839

Dear Ms. Justi:

This is in response to the above referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for the following:

“The Freeway Phantom was a serial killer in the DMV area who was active from 1971-1972. His victims names were Carol Denise Spinks, Darlenia Denise Johnson, Brenda Fay Crockett, Nenomoshia Yates, Brenda Denise Woodard and Diane Williams. I do not have any case numbers. I am hoping to begin the process of obtaining all available records related to these murders.

In addition to court records, documents, and anything entered into evidence, we are hoping to secure copies of all available audio files, video files, photographs, etc. including 911 calls, interrogation/interview footage, and crime scene photos.” Date Range: 04/25/1971 to 07/17/2019.

Your request was considered; however, cannot be granted. It was determined that the records you seek are a part of an ongoing criminal investigation. The release of documents could interfere with enforcement proceedings by revealing the direction and pace of the investigation. It could lead to attempts to destroy or alter evidence, reveal information about potential witnesses who could then be subjected to intimidation as part of an effort to frustrate future investigative activities, or could place witnesses in danger. For these reasons they are exempt from disclosure pursuant to DC Official Code §2-534 (a)(3)(A)(i), (a)(3)(B) and (a)(3)(C).

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Sincerely,

[Redacted]

FOIA Specialist
FOIA Office
Metropolitan Police Department

[Redacted]@dc.gov

“We are here to help.”
June 11, 2019

Sent via email: justin.blount@finchprod.com

Justin Blount

Re: FOIA Request 2019-FOIA-05543

Dear Mr. Blount:

This is in response to the above-captioned Freedom of Information Act request, in which you requested the following:

- We are requesting mug shots from individuals who were considered suspects in the 1971 Freeway Phantom case in the DC area. These suspects were already had prior records and spent time in jail so we know there are mugshot photos. Below is who were are specifically looking for.

  Robert Askins: 1939- indicted on stabbing & poisoning deaths of two women. Spent 13 years in St.E’s. S.O.L. expired, Askins released in 1952 and Morris Warren- He was arrested in connection of the Green Vega Rapists in the early 70's. He was also a a suspect in the Freeway Phantom case.

Per a search conducted by personnel assigned to the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), no records responsive to your request for mugshot photos of Robert Askins could be located.

In regard to Morris Warren, absent authorization, a release of such record would constitute as a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy and is exempt from disclosure pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-534(a)(2) and (a)(3)(C).

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Kind Regards,

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Washington, DC 20001
(202) 727-3721 – Main Office
@dc.gov
Via E-Mail: [Redacted]

May 27, 2021

Mr. Rend Smith

[Redacted]

Re: FOIA Request No.: 2021-FOIA-04673

Dear Mr. Smith:

This is in response to the above referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for the following:

“This is a request for any and all records the Metropolitan Police Department of the District of Columbia has regarding the "Freeway Phantom" homicide investigations. This is to include but not be limited to records consolidated within the indices of the MPDC Major Case/Cold Case Squad.

The public has a strong interest in these records, which will contribute to public understanding of the operations of MPDC. The Freeway Phantom victims were all ordinary, African-American girls with low individual-level risk factors for violence. Yet, in his book Between Good and Evil: A Master Profiler’s Hunt for Society’s Most Violent Predators, FBI Agent and Freeway Phantom investigator Roger L. Depue mistakenly claimed 12-year-old Phantom victim Nenomoshia Yates was “no stranger to the prostitution game.”

Given the potential impacts of discriminatory attitudes on homicide investigations- it is imperative that the public gain a greater understanding of how such attitudes might have impacted the case. To that end I seek the records described below.

Requested Records:
The names of the Freeway Phantom victims were Carol Denise Spinks, Darlenia Denise Johnson, Brenda Faye Crockett, Nenomoshia Yates, Brenda Denise Woodard, Diane Williams and Teara Ann Bryant. I am requesting all records pertaining to the investigation into their murders, including but not limited to investigative reports, witness interviews, follow-up reports, photos, evidence vouchers, forensic testing results, audio and video recordings, transcripts, case jackets and crime scene examination case files. Please include searches of manual as well as computerized indices. The time frame for which I am seeking records is from April 1971 through December 2008.

If necessary, the requested records can be redacted to remove information that could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Please note that to completely withhold records on the basis of protecting an “ongoing investigation, a public agency must make “an evidentiary showing (1) that the records are to be used in a prospective law enforcement action and (2) that the disclosure of the records would be prejudicial to such an action.” Dep’t of Pub. Safety v. Freedom of Info. Comm’n, 51 Conn. App. 100, 105 (1998). If it is your position that any portion of the requested records is exempt from disclosure, I request that you provide it with an index of those documents as required under Vaughn v. Rosen, 484 F.2d 820 (D.C. Cir. 1973), cert. denied, 415 U.S. 977 (1972).
Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires. (Date Range for Record Search: From 03/25/1971 To 12/31/2008)

It has been determined that the information you are seeking is part of an open investigation. The release of this information could interfere with the enforcement proceedings by revealing the direction and pace of the investigation. It could also lead to attempts to destroy or alter evidence, reveal information about potential witnesses who could then be subjected to intimidation as part of an effort to frustrate future investigative activities, or could place witnesses in danger. For these reasons information about this incident is exempt from disclosure pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-534 (a)(2), (a)(3)(A)(i), and (a)(3)(C).

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Regards,

[Signature]

FOIA Specialist
Freedom of Information Act Office
Metropolitan Police Department
300 Indiana Avenue, NW, Rm 4153
Washington, DC 20001
October 18, 2021

Amie Davis
Bridge to Justice, Inc.

Re: FOIA Request No.: 2022-FOIA-00436

Dear Ms. Davis:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requesting the following:

- “I am looking for any and all available information regarding the Freeway Phantom murders involving the following victims:

  - Carol Denise Spinks - 4/25/1971
  - Darlenia Denise Johnson - 7/8/1971
  - Brenda Faye Crockett - 7/27/1971
  - Neonomosha Yates - 10/1/1971
  - Brenda Denise Woodard - 11/15/1971
  - Diane Denise Williams - 9/5/1972 (Date Range for Record Search: From 04/01/1971 To 09/30/1972)”.

A search was conducted by personnel assigned to the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) and with the exception of the attached documents, no other records can be released. It has been determined that the records you are seeking are a part of an ongoing criminal enforcement proceeding. The release of such records could interfere with the enforcement proceeding by revealing the direction and pace of the investigation. It could lead to attempts to destroy or alter evidence, reveal information about potential witnesses who could then be subjected to intimidation as part of an effort to frustrate future investigative activities, or could place witnesses in danger. For these reasons they are exempt from disclosure pursuant to D.C. Official Code §2-534 (a)(3)(A)(i), (a)(3)(B) and (a)(3)(C).

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Kind Regards,

[Redacted]
FOIA Specialist
Freedom of Information Act Office
Metropolitan Police Department
300 Indiana Avenue, NW, Rm 4153
Washington, DC 20001
Sent Via Email: [Redacted]

October 19, 2021

[Redacted]
Student
Loyola University Maryland

[Redacted]

Re: FOIA Request No.: 2022-FOIA-00459

Dear Ms. [Redacted]

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requesting the following:

- “I am requesting any and all files pertaining to the Freeway Phantom murders that took place in Washington D.C. between 1971 and 1972 including files on the victims, suspects, persons of interest, and evidence reports. The victims and dates their bodies were found are as follows:
  1. Carol Denise Spinks - 5/1/1971
  2. Darlenia Denise Johnson - 7/19/1971
  4. Nenoshia Yates - 10/1/1971
  5. Brenda Denise Woodard - 11/16/1971
  6. Diane Dinnis Williams - 9/6/1972

- Suspects and persons of interest include:
  1. members of the Green Vega Gang (John Davis, Morris Warren, Paul Fletcher, Paul Brooks, Melvin Gray)
  2. Robert Elwood Askins
  3. Jessie Tobin
  4. George Bullock
  5. Dennis Allen Dixon
  6. Donald Nathan Tyler
  7. Roger Allen Wanzer

- Evidence analysis reports or files pertaining to:
  1. green synthetic fibers found on the victims' bodies
  2. DNA evidence found at crime scenes
  3. hair found on the victims' bodies
  4. any additional physical evidence related to the murders
(Date Range for Record Search: From 04/25/1971 To 12/31/1972)."

A search was conducted by personnel assigned to the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) and with the exception of the attached documents, no other records can be released. It has been determined that the records you are seeking are a part of an ongoing criminal enforcement proceeding. The release of such records could interfere with the enforcement proceeding by revealing the direction and pace of the investigation. It could lead to attempts to destroy or alter evidence, reveal information about potential witnesses who could then be subjected to intimidation as part of an effort to frustrate future investigative activities, or could place witnesses in danger. For these reasons they are exempt from disclosure pursuant to D.C. Official Code §2-534 (a)(3)(A)(i), (a)(3)(B) and (a)(3)(C).

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Kind Regards,

Freedom of Information Act Office
Metropolitan Police Department
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Washington, DC 20001
May 14, 2019

Via Email

Blaine Pardoe

Re: FOIA Request No.: 2019-FOIA-04182

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is in response to your above referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for the following:

In 1971 the Metropolitan Police released a photograph of murder victim Brenda Woodard's clothing on a mannequin to the press. This was released to the public to generate leads. I respectfully submit a request for a photograph of that mannequin in the victim's clothing.

Per a search conducted by Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) personnel, no photograph responsive to your request was located; however, the following link was posted on the MPD website: https://search.usa.gov/search?query=Brenda+Woodard&affiliate=dc_mpdc&emb=1.

Be advised, the homicide of Brenda Woodard was handled by the Prince George's County Police Department. You may also wish to contact that police department for additional information.

Please know that, under D.C Official Code § 2-537 and 1 DCMR § 412, you have the right to appeal this letter to the Mayor or to the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. If you elect to appeal to the Mayor, your appeal must be in writing and contain “Freedom of Information Act Appeal” or “FOIA Appeal” in the subject line of the letter, as well as, on the outside of the envelope. The appeal must include (1) a copy of the original request; (2) a copy of any written denial; (3) a statement of the circumstances, reasons, and/or arguments advanced in support of disclosure; and (4) a daytime telephone number, an e-mail and/or U.S. mailing address at which you can be reached. The appeal must be mailed to: The Mayor's Correspondence Unit, FOIA Appeal, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 407, Washington, D.C. 20004. Electronic versions of the same information can instead be e-mailed to the Mayor’s Office of Legal Counsel at foia.appeals@dc.gov.

Further, a copy of all appeal materials must be forwarded to the Freedom of Information Officer of the involved agency, or to the agency head of that agency, if there is no designated Freedom of Information Officer there.
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Failure to follow these administrative steps will result in delay in the processing and commencement of a response to your appeal to the Mayor.

Sincere regards,

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