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Police Release New Details in the Jhessye Shockley Investigation

GLENDALE, Ariz. – From the beginning of the investigation, the Glendale Police Department has said that we will release substantive information on the Jhessye Shockley Case when we can be assured the release will not compromise the investigation. Today, we are able to share the following:

This is an active homicide investigation. Shortly after the arrest of Jerice Hunter in November for Child Abuse, investigators received reliable information from leads. Based on this information, and further investigation, we believe Jhessye Shockley’s body was placed in a trash receptacle located in the City of Tempe prior to the report of Jhessye’s disappearance on October 11th. Our investigators know that trash from this location is removed to a transfer station and ultimately taken to the Butterfield Landfill located south of the valley.

Over the past few weeks, much of what investigators and support personnel have been doing is related to determining the viability of a landfill search at that location. That includes conducting analysis to determine the likelihood of success of recovering Jhessye’s body. The decision whether to search will be finalized in the coming weeks.

Our police department continues to get questions about the use of a polygraph. We can tell you that as of this date, Jerice Hunter has not submitted to a polygraph, but our investigators encourage her assistance and cooperation in this investigation and would certainly make a polygraph examination available through her attorney.

We appreciate your continued patience with our agency and our investigators as they work diligently to locate Jhessye and solve this homicide investigation. ###

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