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## NEWS RELEASE

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### Incident: Missing Youth – Stephanie NEUMANN

**Abbotsford – May 5, 2011.**

In the early morning hours of April 28, 2011 sixteen year old Stephanie NEUMANN packed a small amount of clothing and left her family home. Her family is extremely concerned and the Abbotsford Police Department has been actively investigating this incident for the past week. Stephanie had celebrated her birthday just days earlier and this behaviour is completely out of character.

It is believed that a contributing factor to Stephanie's decision to leave home was the fact that the family had taken in a 35 year old male drifter in an attempt to assist him in finding stability and employment. That man ultimately stayed with the family for a period of six months and left the home approximately ten days before Stephanie NEUMANN was reported missing. In some of the time the man and Stephanie spent together she was introduced to panhandling. We believe that she may presently be engaged in that activity as a means to provide for herself.

Attached is a photograph of Stephanie NEUMANN. She is 5'6" tall with straight blonde hair and a thin build. Anyone who observes her is asked to contact their local police department immediately. Anyone with information about this investigation should contact the Abbotsford Police at 604-859-5225 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

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