



# Abbotsford Police Department

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## NEWS RELEASE

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### APD NEWS RELEASE:

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### Incident: APD Major Crime and IHIT Investigate Suspicious Death

**Abbotsford – August 24, 2011.**

This morning at 5:30 am a cyclist observed a man on a sidewalk adjacent to a transit loop and a shopping mall parking structure in the 2500 block of West Bourquin Crescent. Abbotsford Police Patrol officers arrived on scene minutes later and located the man who had suffered severe head injuries. The officers attempted chest compressions and first aid. BC Ambulance staff arrived moments later and confirmed that the man was deceased.

As the causes of the injuries to this man are not known the death is being investigated as suspicious. A full medical and forensic examination will be required to determine the cause of death but neither knife or gunshot wounds were apparent to police members first on scene. Investigators are still working to identify the man and are canvassing neighbours for potential witnesses. This area is both well travelled and densely populated so we are encouraging anyone who observed any suspicious activities in the preceding hours to contact the Abbotsford Police Department at 604-859-5225 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

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