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Deputies Seek Public's Help Locating Missing 68-Year-Old Man

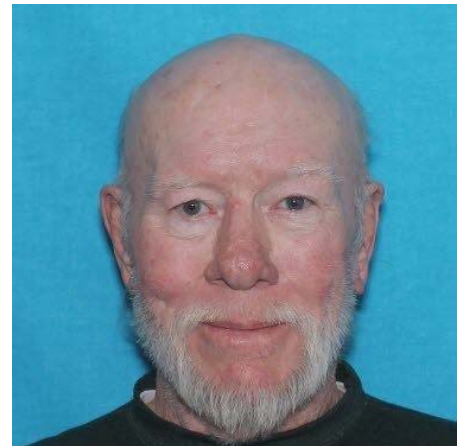
December 30, 2017 – Deputies are asking for the public's assistance locating a 68-year-old man who has been staying in the Portland area.

On Friday, December 29, 2017, at 11:14 p.m., a Washington County Sheriff's Office deputy came across an SUV sitting on the side of NW 185th Avenue near NW West Union Rd in the Bethany community.

There was no one in or around the SUV, which belongs to 68-year-old John C. Cross. Deputies learned Mr. Cross has been contacted by police several times over the past two weeks in Beaverton, Tigard and Hillsboro and appeared to be disoriented or confused.

Multiple deputies and a WCSO K-9 team searched the surrounding area, including Bethany Lake Park and local businesses, and did not find Mr. Cross.

Mr. Cross was most recently living in Brookings, Oregon, but has been in the Portland metro area, possibly staying at motels in the Gresham or Troutdale area.



Mr. Cross is described as a 68-year-old white male, 5'7" tall, 155 pounds, with a mostly bald head and a white beard. He has been seen wearing a green or gray fedora in the past.

Deputies towed Mr. Cross' SUV out of the road, so it is unknown if he has access to a different vehicle. Deputies spoke with Mr. Cross' family members in California who also did not know where he may be.

The Sheriff's Office is asking for the public's help locating him. Anyone with information on his whereabouts is asked to call non-emergency dispatch at (503) 629-0111.

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