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# Winnebago County Sheriff's Department



## News Release

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**  
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### **PUBLIC ASSISTANCE NEEDED IN IDENTIFYING SUBJECT**

On Thursday, April 20, 2023 at approximately 2:30p.m., Winnebago County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a report of a body in the river on the southeast side of the Auburn Street Bridge.

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office is requesting assistance from the public identifying this deceased person. The deceased is described as a black male from 18 to 30 years of age, 5'8 and weighing 125 to 140 pounds. The male has black, shoulder length dreadlocks and a mustache with chin hair. He also has growths and deformities on both ear lobes. He has a tattoo on his left forearm that says "Divine" in script.

The male was wearing blue jeans with white strips down the side of each leg, a white tank top, black coat with a hoodie attached and black boots.

An autopsy found no evidence of trauma or foul play associated with the death. All fingerprint searches provided no matches to the decedent.

If you have information regarding this individual or incident, please contact the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office at (815) 319-6400 or you can also remain anonymous by contacting Rockford Area Crime Stoppers at (815) 963-7867.

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