

CRIME STOPPERS of Southern Oregon

November 28, 2018

SHADY COVE, Ore. – Jackson County Sheriff’s Office (JCSO) detectives are hoping someone will come forward with information that will help them find a woman who disappeared two years ago. Malina Lynn Nickel, 31, was last seen at her Shady Cove home in 2016, just before Thanksgiving.

Malina was reported missing by her mother on November 28, 2016. Family members told deputies they found Malina's car, a white 2002 Ford Escape, abandoned near the Trail post office on Friday, November 25. A witness reported seeing a male walking away from Malina's vehicle and getting a ride to a gas station in Shady Cove on the night of November 23. The male has not yet been positively identified.

Malina is a mother to two children and family members say she wouldn't have just left them behind. Malina's personal belongings were found in her residence and she had made no mention of leaving the area.

In the last two years, detectives have followed up on numerous tips, interviewed witnesses, and worked with JCSO search and rescue teams to search many locations. At this time, all leads received have been investigated. The process has proved challenging as most tips have turned out to be based on speculation or rumors.

If you have any information on this case, please call or text Crime Stoppers of Southern Oregon at 1-800-850-0580 and refer to case number KMED 11-28-18.

Depending on the case and information given, Rogue Credit Union will pay up to \$1,000 in reward money for information leading to an arrest and filing of charges.

