

Cold Case Project of Monterey County

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Photo: Christina Williams Memorial Site

Cold Case Project of Monterey County Marks First Anniversary, Raises More Than \$585,000

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MONTEREY COUNTY, Calif. — June 11, 2026 — The Cold Case Project of Monterey County (CCPMC) is proud to celebrate its first anniversary, marking a year of unprecedented community support and meaningful progress in the pursuit of justice for victims and families affected by unsolved violent crimes.

Since its launch in June 2025, the CCPMC has raised more than \$585,000 to fund advanced forensic and scientific investigations in cold cases throughout Monterey County. To date, the organization has provided funding for 20 cold case investigations, helping local law enforcement agencies access specialized resources that are often beyond the reach of traditional investigative budgets.

"One year ago, our community came together around a simple but powerful belief: no victim should be forgotten, and no family should be left without hope," said Bill Clark, Sr. Cold Case Investigator and Board Member. "The generosity of our donors has made it possible to pursue answers in cases that might otherwise remain unresolved."

Many cold case investigations require financial commitments exceeding \$30,000 for specialized forensic testing and analysis. The success of the CCPMC demonstrates a strong community commitment to supporting victims, their families, and the pursuit of justice.

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As the organization, managed by an all-volunteer Board of Directors, reflects on its first year, it also honors the 20 lives whose cases have received support through the Project. The CCPMC remains committed to assisting the many families throughout Monterey County who continue to seek answers and accountability.

The organization plans to expand its efforts in the coming year, continuing to raise funds and build partnerships that help bring resolution to cold cases across the county.

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About the Cold Case Project of Monterey County

The Cold Case Project of Monterey County is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting the investigation of unsolved violent crimes through funding, advocacy, and collaboration with local law enforcement agencies. By providing resources for advanced forensic testing and scientific analysis, the organization works to bring answers, accountability, and hope to victims' families and communities.

"Every cold case has a story to tell, waiting for someone brave enough to listen".
(The Book of Cold Cases, Rachel Anderson)



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