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Police Seek Community Help in Unsolved Homicide of Brandy Martell

Oakland, CA —Tonight at 6:30 PM in the 1300 block of Franklin Street, Tiffany Woods, Program Manager of Tri-City Health Center; TransVision; and the community will be holding a candlelight vigil to mark the one-year anniversary of the homicide of Brandy Martell. Brandy was a 37-year-old African-American transgender woman and a former Peer Advocate for TransVision. The Oakland Police Department will be present at the vigil.

The Oakland Police Department is asking for media and community assistance to help identify the person(s) responsible for the death of Brandy Martell.

How Can You Help?

If you have information regarding Brandy Martell's homicide, there are many ways you can make a report and remain **anonymous**:

- Call the Homicide TIP LINE - (510) 773-2805
- Call Crime Stoppers of Oakland - (510) 777-8572
- Select one of the following ways to contact Nixle Tip Watch:
 1. *Text* **TIP OAKLANDPD** to **888777** from your cell phone, or
 2. *Call* our toll-free tip hotline at **855-TIPS-247** (855-847-7247), or
 3. *Respond* to OPD's Nixle messages.

Background: On April 29, 2012, at 5:20 AM, Brandy Martell was the victim of a fatal shooting that occurred in the 1300 block of Franklin Street.

The investigation is ongoing; anyone with information is asked to contact the Oakland Police Department Major Crimes Section – Homicide Unit at (510) 238-3821.

Oakland Police and Crime Stoppers of Oakland are offering a reward of up to \$25,000 for information leading to an arrest in this case.

For more information, please contact

- The OPD Media Relations Office at (510) 238-7230 or opdmedia@oaklandnet.com.
- **Tiffany Woods**, Transgender Programs Manager, Tri-City Health **(510) 456-3521** or Cell **(510) 305-3274** or twoods@tri-cityhealth.org

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