IMPORTANT LINEUP CONTACT INFORMATION:

If you have any questions, before or after the lineup, need additional information or if you need transportation to the lineup, please call:

- **Philadelphia District Attorney's Office Victim Services Unit:**

  Anna Broz-215-686-5886

  or

  Belynda Mbuu-215-686-5878

- **Curran-Fromhold Correctional Facility: Detective William Wynn-215-685-7935**

Directions

BY CAR:

From Center City or South Philadelphia, take I-95 to the Cottman Ave. exit. Turn right at the traffic light onto State Rd. At the third traffic light, the Curran-Fromhold Correctional Facility will be on your right.

From North and Northwest Philadelphia, take Rhawn St. and turn left onto State Rd.

You will be instructed by the security guards standing at the front gate to park in the visitors parking lot.

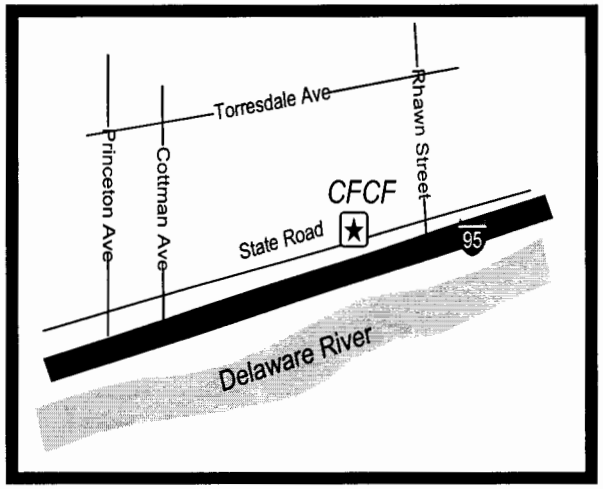
BY BUS:

Take the Market St. elevated line to the Bridge and Pratt St. stop. From there, take the 84 Bus, which runs along State Rd. The 84 bus runs via State Road to all Philadelphia Prison System Facilities. The 66 bus runs north on Frankford Ave. to Rhawn St., and the 56 runs north on Torresdale Ave. to Cottman Ave. During rush hours, the 70 bus runs east on Cottman Ave. and past the Philadelphia Prison System facilities.

BY TRAIN:

Take the Trenton local (R-7) from 30th St. Station, Market East or North Philadelphia Station to Holmesburg Junction. You will descend from the station to Rhawn St. and Tulip St., between Torresdale Ave. and State Rd. Walk from the station or transfer to the 84 bus. Special transfer tickets may be purchased.

For SEPTA schedule and fare information, call: 215-580-7800 or visit their website at www.septa.org.



LINEUP INFORMATION FOR CRIME VICTIMS AND WITNESSES

This informational brochure will help you understand:

- Why is a lineup necessary?
- Why must I participate?
- What happens after the lineup?
- Where does the lineup take place?
- How do I get there?

This brochure will also provide you with:

- Contact phone numbers for help, support or information.
- Map and directions to the lineup.
- List of basic rules that you must observe when entering the lineup facility.

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF PHILADELPHIA

♦ THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

We in the District Attorney's Office regret that you have been the victim of, or a witness to a crime. We greatly appreciate your cooperation with us. Our justice system cannot work without your help. This brochure will help explain your participation in a lineup.

♦ WHY IS A LINEUP NECESSARY?

The lineup is designed to provide a fair identification procedure for someone accused of a crime. Most requests for a lineup are made by the defense lawyers before the preliminary hearing. The request is usually made in cases when the victim or witness did not identify the accused shortly after the crime was committed. The assistant district attorney (ADA) has a chance to respond to, and if appropriate, to argue against the request. The Municipal Court judge grants or denies the request.

When the judge grants the request, the judge will postpone the preliminary hearing until after the lineup is held.

♦ **YOUR COOPERATION IS IMPORTANT TO THE PROPER FUNCTIONING OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. YOUR HELP AT THE LINEUP AND AT LATER COURT APPEARANCES IS ESSENTIAL.**

♦ WHY MUST I PARTICIPATE?

The lineup is conducted very carefully. This is done both to protect the rights of the accused and to insure that any possible identification is not "thrown out of court" at a later date because the lineup was not conducted properly.

♦ WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

You will be given a lineup admission certificate that admits you to the lineup and a subpoena for the next hearing date. If you are not in court, you will receive the lineup information by mail from the District Attorney's Office. The lineup is usually scheduled one or two weeks later.

WHERE DOES THE LINEUP TAKE PLACE?

Lineups take place at the Curran-Fromhold Correctional Facility (CFCF), 7901 State Road in Northeast Philadelphia, starting at 5:00 PM.

IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT YOU ARRIVE AT THE CFCF BY 5:00 PM AT THE LATEST.

You may want to bring a friend or family member with you for company and support.

PLEASE DO NOT FORGET TO BRING THE LINEUP ADMISSION CERTIFICATE!

♦WHAT TAKES PLACE AT CFCF?

When you arrive at the main entrance to the CFCF, ask for the detective in charge of lineups. You will be asked to wait briefly in the main waiting area. When everything is ready, the detective in charge will instruct you to proceed to the lineup area. A security check is required of everyone entering the locked area. Handbags and briefcases are also inspected. This is done for the protection of everyone in the building.

♦ **YOU MUST BRING PICTURE IDENTIFICATION (DRIVER'S LICENSE, SCHOOL IDENTIFICATION, EMPLOYMENT IDENTIFICATION, ETC.)**

♦ **DRESS CODE:**

Listed below are basic criteria that victims and witnesses must observe when entering the lineup facility:

- **NO MINI SKIRTS**
- **NO SANDALS**
- **NO PLAIN WHITE T-SHIRTS**
- **NO HOT PANTS OR SHORT SHORTS**
- **NO SEE-THROUGH OR REVEALING CLOTHING**
- **NO HALTER TOPS, TANK TOPS, OR CROP TOPS**
- **TOPS EXCEEDING HIP LENGTH MUST BE WORN WHEN WEARING SPANDEX TIGHTS AND "STRETCH PANTS".**

♦WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

When your lineup is ready, you will be escorted into the line-up room. The detective in charge, an assistant district attorney and a defense attorney will also be in the room. Their role is to observe the lineup to insure that it is conducted in the appropriate legal way for all parties involved.

♦WHAT WILL I SEE IN THE LINEUP ROOM?

You will be seated facing a glass-enclosed area. Before the lineup begins, you will be instructed not to say anything until asked to do so by the detective. THIS IS IMPORTANT. Six people will be standing behind the brightly lit glass. Each person will be identified to you by number from one to six. You will be given ample opportunity to observe them. The glass is a one way glass so **YOU CANNOT BE SEEN** by the people in the lineup. After you have a chance to observe all of the people in the lineup, the detective in charge will ask you several questions. You should answer truthfully.

♦WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE LINEUP?

The detective in charge will tell you when you may leave.

If a police officer/detective has brought you to the lineup, you may have to wait until all the people he or she transported are finished.

♦ YOU ARE STILL REQUIRED TO ATTEND THE PRELIMINARY HEARING , REGARDLESS OF WHETHER YOU IDENTIFIED ANYONE IN THE LINEUP (UNLESS INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE).

♦ AS A VICTIM OR A WITNESS YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE TREATED WITH DIGNITY AND COURTESY.