

Volunteers Search for Fort Worth Man Missing for 3 Months

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FORT WORTH -- A group of volunteers is helping in the search for a Fort Worth man who has been missing for three months. Neither police nor relatives have been able to find him and now his family believes he was the victim of foul play.

Robert Stephen Brown, 49, was last seen March 9 at his home in the 3000 block of Las Vegas Trail. He is a diabetic who is insulin-dependent and has other health problems.

On Saturday, volunteers with United Search and Rescue were handing out fliers near his apartment. A spokesman for the group said they believe someone at the apartment complex might know where he is. At the time Brown disappeared, there was information that he had been involved in a dispute over his food stamp card.

Brown's sister Debi Lohr said she fears something horrible happened to him. In the first days after his disappearance, she called his apartment and strangers were answering the phone.

"I called the house Monday, juveniles were answering his phone...the third time and it was busy."

Because Brown is an insulin-dependent diabetic with serious health problems, Lohr said she knows he's not alive.

"He couldn't have defended himself against his 14-year-old daughter...think something happened over there."

What Lohr wants now is answers and that's what United Search and Rescue volunteers hope to provide her and other family members. A spokeswoman with United said she's confident they're close to learning what happened to Brown.