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## **Homicide Investigation**

The Birmingham Police Department reports that detectives are conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Sunday, July 9, 2017 in the 900 block of 47<sup>th</sup> Street North.

The victim has been identified as:  
**B/F, 4 of Birmingham**

On Sunday, July 9, 2017, around 3:15 pm, officers from the South Precinct were dispatched to the listed location on a child shot. Upon arrival, officers observed over a dozen spent shell casings in the street but no victim. Officers were later advised that a green Honda was observed parked in the 800 block of 46<sup>th</sup> Place North with what appeared to be bullet holes in the body of the vehicle.

Upon further investigation, detectives learned that a black male exited a green Honda that was parked on the side parking lot of Beauty Masters (4641 RAJ Blvd). The black male (shooter #1) walked up to an older brown colored vehicle that was occupied by another black male and started shooting into the vehicle. Apparently, the shooter's gun jammed shortly afterwards, and immediately the black male (shooter#2) that was in the brown car began returning gunfire while chasing after the suspect (shooter#1). Both suspects fled the scene before officers arrived. Officers were later informed that a four-year-old was a passenger in the green Honda and she had suffered a gunshot wound to the facial area. The victim was transported to Children's Hospital. Officers were able to locate and detain three possible suspects.

On Wednesday July 12, 2017, Jefferson County Coroner's Office notified the Homicide Unit that the 4-year-old victim had succumbed to her injuries. Detectives will resubmit this case as a Homicide to the DA's Office.

**If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ 254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 254-7777.**