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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department reports that detectives are conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Thursday, October 05, 2017 in 4900 block of Avenue R.

The victim has been identified as:

Ladarius Cooper, b/m, 29 of Birmingham

On Thursday, October 05, 2017 around 10:40am, officers from the West Precinct were dispatched to the listed location on an accident involving a car striking a pole. When officers arrived they found the victim sitting in the driver's seat of a red vehicle suffering from what appeared to be a gunshot wound to the body. Birmingham Fire and Rescue responded to the scene and transported the victim to UAB Hospital where the victim later succumbed to his injuries. According to witnesses, it appears someone else was in the car with the victim. However, officers were not able to locate any additional passengers at the scene. The motive is unclear at this time.

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.