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Domestic Violence Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department reports, detectives are conducting a domestic violence investigation. The incident occurred on April 23, 2020.

At approximately 6:51 a.m., Officers from the West Precinct responded to a shots fired call in the 900 Block of Avenue G. Officers arrived and discovered a 2002 Ford Explorer with multiple bullet holes. Blood was also observed inside the vehicle with no signs of a victim. Due to blood and additional evidence in the car, the vehicle was visually inspected in efforts to preserve evidence and no one was observed inside nor was any noise or motion detected. The vehicle was then towed to Weil wrecker to be processed by an evidence technician.

BPD was notified by an unknown caller that a child was inside the vehicle in the very back of the SUV. Officers reported to Weil wrecker and conducted an extensive search of the vehicle due to the exigent circumstances. The child was found in the rear of the vehicle asleep under a large pile of clothing unharmed. Birmingham Fire and Rescue reported to the scene and transported the child to the hospital for further evaluation.

The preliminary investigation revealed the initial shots fired call was domestic in nature involving the mother of the child and her boyfriend. Evidence suggests gunfire was exchanged amongst the two while the child was inside the vehicle. The child was left inside of the vehicle. It appears the child was asleep under the pile of clothing during the entire incident. **The child has been placed into Child Protective Services.** This is an ongoing investigation.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ [205-254-1764](tel:205-254-1764) or Crime Stoppers @ [205-254-7777](tel:205-254-7777).

The information is based on a preliminary and ongoing investigation, which continues to evolve as investigators interview witnesses, review physical and electronic records, and analyze forensic evidence. The Department's understanding of the facts and circumstances may change as additional evidence is collected and analyzed*

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