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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department reports detectives are conducting a homicide investigation. The homicide occurred on Sunday, August 30, 2020.

The deceased victim has been identified as Christopher Shawn Vance, (29), B/M of Birmingham, Alabama.

At approximately 1:20 a.m., officers from the the West Precinct responded to 1515 20th Place Ensley on reports of a person with a gun. Upon arrival officers discovered the subject inside the apartment at the front door unresponsive. The subject suffered from a gunshot wound and was pronounced deceased on the scene by Birmingham Fire and Rescue.

The preliminary investigation suggest the subject was involved in a physical altercation prior to being shot. This homicide appears to be domestic in nature. A person of interest was taken into custody for further questioning.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to this incident, please contact Crime Stoppers of Metro Alabama @ 205-254-7777 or the Birmingham Police Department's Homicide Division at 205-254-1764 Updates will be provided as they come available.

This is Birmingham's 68th homicide of 2020 with 10 justifiable death investigations and 1 non-criminal homicide (accidental shooting). [The Birmingham Police Department adheres to FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines set for all law enforcement agencies across the United States. FBI Uniform Crime Reporting](#)

guidelines do not require law enforcement agencies to include justifiable death investigations into the total homicide investigations counts.

**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