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Double Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department reports detectives are conducting a double homicide investigation stemming from a domestic related incident.

The victim has been identified as Loretta Frazier, (65), b/f, of Birmingham, Alabama.

The deceased subject has been identified as Derick Williams, (40), b/m, of Birmingham, Alabama.

Just after 11:00 a.m., North precinct officers respond to a call of four people shot at 1024 12th Street North. Officer arrived and observed a deceased male, Derick Williams on lying on the sidewalk outside the apartment. Officers were alerted of others wounded inside the apartment. Officers entered the apartment and discovered the victim, Loretta Frazier lying on the floor unresponsive in the living room. Frazier was pronounced deceased on the scene. A male and female was found also inside the apartment suffering from gunshot wounds. Both surviving victims were transported to UAB Hospital by Birmingham Fire and Rescue. The female medical condition has been upgraded to stable. The male victim injuries are non-life threatening.

The preliminary investigation suggest Derick Williams who was in a previous romantic relationship with the surviving female came to the location and shot all three people inside. The wounded male victim inside was able to return fire fatally wounding Williams. The investigation indicates a domestic report was filed at this location within the last 24 hours and there has been a history of domestic related incidents. Updates will be provided as this case develops.

If there is anyone who has additional information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ 205-254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 205-2547777.

This is Birmingham's 89th and 90th homicide investigation of 2020 with 13 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 understanding of the facts and circumstances may change as additional evidence is collected and analyzed

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