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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Friday, June 4, 2021.

The victim has been identified:

Briona Leshay Groom, (27), B/F, of Birmingham, Alabama.

At approximately 5:10 a.m., East Precinct officers were dispatched to 4601 Eastlake Boulevard on report of a person shot. Officers arrived on the scene and observed a vehicle that collided with a chain-linked fence.

The victim was removed from the vehicle where officers observed her suffering from gunshot injuries. Birmingham and Fire and Rescue personnel transported the victim to UAB Hospital where she remained hospitalized. On Sunday, July 25, 2021, the Jefferson County Coroner's Office personnel notified our department that the victim succumbed to her injuries.

Details are limited in this 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).

Anonymous tips can also be submitted to Crime Stoppers through the Birmingham Police Department's Mobile App on Android or IOS devices. Updates will be provided as information comes available.

This is Birmingham's 62nd murder investigation of 2021 with 4 justifiable death Investigations). 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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