



## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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## **Homicide Investigation**

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Monday, October 18, 2021.

The victim has been identified as:

**Deonta Pickett, (40), B/M, of Birmingham, Alabama.**

At approximately 10:15 p.m., South Precinct officers were dispatched to 1305 44<sup>th</sup> Street North on report of multiple Shot Spotter alerts coming from an apartment complex.

Officers arrived on the scene and observed the victim slumped over in the driver's seat of a vehicle parked in a parking space inside of the complex. The victim was suffering from a gunshot wound; he was unresponsive. Birmingham Fire and Rescue personnel arrived on the scene and pronounced the male deceased.

At this time, 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 [82nd](#) murder investigation of 2021 with [12](#) 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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