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Arrest Made in Assault of 9-year-old

The Birmingham Police Department reports an arrest has been made in a recent assault investigation involving a 9-year-old wounded by gunfire. The suspect was taken into custody shortly after the incident and held pending further investigation. On November 12, 2021 formal charges were filed with the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office.

The suspect has been identified as:

Harvedris Jujan Douglas, (43), b/m of Birmingham, Alabama.



On Detectives presented the information gathered to the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office for review. After an assessment of the case, detectives obtained warrants for **Aggravated Assault 1st Degree (\$200,000 bond) and Discharging a Firearm into an Occupied Vehicle (\$50,000)**. Douglas will be transported and held in the custody of the Jefferson County Jail. The suspect also has additional outstanding warrants with the City of Birmingham.

Child Wounded by Gunfire

The Birmingham Police Department reports detectives are investigating a 9-year-old girl wounded by gunfire in the 800 block of 44th Place North in the Morton Simpson Housing Community. The incident occurred on November 10, 2021.

At approximately 3:39 p.m., officers from the Community Safety Partnership Unit were patrolling the when shots were heard nearby. Officers were alerted by community members that a child was wounded by gunfire. Officers observed the victim in the backseat of a vehicle suffering from an apparent gunshot wound. The child was transported to Children's Hospital of Alabama with life-threatening injuries.

The preliminary investigation suggests the child was standing outside of a vehicle in the parking lot when shots were fired amongst two males and the victim was caught in the crossfire. Detective were able to establish strong leads within minutes from Real Time Crime Center officers. One person has been detained and being questioned by detectives.

If there is anyone who has additional information, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ 205-254-1764 or **Crime Stoppers @ 205-254-7777**. Anonymous tips can also be submitted to Crime Stoppers through the **Birmingham Police Department's Mobile App**. Updates will be provided as information comes available.

****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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