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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department reports detectives are conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Wednesday, April 6, 2022.

The victim has been identified as Christopher Bighames, (57), b/m of Birmingham, Alabama.

At approximately 4:40 p.m., officers from the East Precinct responded to 933 52nd Place North on a call of a person down. Upon arrival, Birmingham Fire and Rescue was rendering aid to the victim, Christopher Bighames. The victim succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased on the scene. Upon further investigation, it was established Bighames suffered from a gunshot wound.

The preliminary investigation indicates the victim was found inside his apartment by concerned acquaintances and neighbors. No arrest has been made. Detectives have not determined a clear motive in this investigation.

If there is anyone with information pertaining to this case, please contact the Homicide Division directly at 205-254-1764 or remain anonymous by contacting Crime Stoppers at 205-254-7777.

Anonymous tips can also be submitted to Crime Stoppers through the Birmingham Police Department's Mobile App. Simply download the app and submit a tip. Updates will be provided as information becomes available. If the tip to Crime Stoppers leads to an arrest, Crime Stoppers will provide a cash reward.

This is Birmingham's 32nd murder investigation of 2022 with 3 justifiable death investigation.

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