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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Friday, April 8, 2022.

The victim has been identified as:

Veronica Joseph, (46), B/F, of Birmingham, Alabama.

Shortly before 9 PM, West Precinct officers were dispatched to the 1400 block of 33rd Street Ensley on report of a person armed with a gun. Officers were then updated that a person had been shot at the location.

Officers arrived on the scene when they observed the victim lying unresponsive on the ground in the roadway. Officers also observed an adult male victim lying unresponsive in the roadway suffering from an apparent gunshot wound.

Birmingham Fire and Rescue (BFR) personnel arrived on the scene and pronounced the female victim deceased. BFR transported the male to UAB Hospital with life-threatening injuries.

While on the scene, officers learned a third adult male was shot at the original location; he was located in the 4700 block of Avenue Q. BFR transported the third victim to UAB Hospital with a non-life-threatening gunshot wound injury.

The preliminary investigation suggests this incident is domestic in nature. Two of the victims are family members of the possible suspect. A third victim has a nonfamilial relationship with the possible suspect.

Currently, the suspect is not in custody.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, 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 on Android or IOS devices. Updates will be provided as information comes available.

This is Birmingham's 33rd murder investigation of 2022 including 3 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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