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Public's Assistance with the Kenneth Earl Harris Jr. Homicide Investigation

Detectives request assistance from the public in obtaining information on a recent homicide that occurred on Tuesday, March 20, 2023, that claimed the life of Kenneth Earl Harris Jr.

At around 9:15 PM, West Precinct officers were dispatched to a residence in the 500 Block of Buffalo Street on report of a person shot.

Officers arrived on the scene when they entered a residence and observed Kenneth Harris Jr. suffering from an apparent gunshot wound.

Birmingham Fire and Rescue personnel arrived on the scene and transported Mr. Harris to UAB Hospital with life-threatening injuries.

UAB Hospital Staff notified Birmingham 911 Communications the victim passed away the following morning.

The preliminary investigation suggests the victim was struck by gunfire after shots were fired into the residence.

Detectives have conducted follow-up investigations and believe the suspect's vehicle involved in this homicide is a white four-door sedan.

If there is anyone with information that will help aid our detectives, 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.

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Homicide Investigation ***(Media Release 53)***

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Tuesday, March 20, 2023.

The victim has been identified as:
Kenneth Earl Harris Jr., (42), B/M, of Birmingham, Alabama.

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UAB Hospital Staff notified Birmingham 911 Communications the victim passed away this morning.

The preliminary investigation suggests the victim was struck by gunfire after shots were fired into the residence.

There is no one 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**.**

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This is Birmingham's 19th murder investigation of 2023 with 1 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 in 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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