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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Tuesday, April 25, 2023.

The victim has been identified as:

Janiya Marshae Thompson, (19), B/F, of Birmingham, Alabama.

At approximately 7:55 PM, a South Precinct officer was near the area of 4500 Richard Arrington Junior Boulevard North on a separate call; our officer heard gunshots being fired in the area. A Shot Spotter alert was received.

Officers were told two people were shot and were inside the 10th Avenue Convenience Store. Officers entered the store and observed the victim lying unresponsive on the floor suffering from a gunshot wound.

Officers observed a second adult female who was suffering from a gunshot wound.

Birmingham Fire and Rescue (BFR) personnel arrived on the scene and pronounced the victim deceased. BFR treated the second victim on the scene; she suffered a non-life-threatening injury.

The preliminary investigation suggests the victims were outside of the store when an unknown suspect(s) fired shots at them. The victim was targeted.

There is no suspect 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 becomes available.

This is Birmingham's **34th** murder investigation of 2023 with **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 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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