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Public's Assistance with the David Westbrook Jr. Homicide Investigation

Detectives request assistance from the public in obtaining information on a homicide that occurred on Monday, May 23, 2022, that claimed the life of David Westbrook Jr.

At approximately 10:50 PM, East Precinct officers were dispatched to 135 54th Street North on report of a ShotSpotter alert. Officers arrived on the scene and observed an SUV that had collided with a utility pole. Upon further investigation, officers observed David Westbrook Jr. suffering from an apparent gunshot wound.

Birmingham Fire and Rescue personnel arrived on the scene and pronounced the victim deceased.

The preliminary investigation revealed that David Westbrook Jr. had just walked his dog at a nearby soccer field and returned to his vehicle.

An unknown suspect approached him on foot and fired shots at him while he was attempting to leave.

The suspect fled on foot.

If there is anyone with information that will help aid our detectives, please contact the Homicide Division directly at [205-254-1764](tel:205-254-1764) or remain anonymous by contacting Crime Stoppers at [205-254-7777](tel: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 104-2022)*

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Monday, May 23, 2022.

The victim has been identified as:

David Westbrook Jr., (50), B/M, of Birmingham, Alabama.

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Birmingham Fire and Rescue personnel arrived on the scene and pronounced the victim deceased.

Currently, there is no one in custody. Details are limited in this investigation.

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 49th murder investigation of 2022 including 5 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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