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## **Homicide Investigation**

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Thursday, June 1, 2023.

The victim has been identified as: Jermiera Fowler, (31), B/F, of Birmingham, Alabama.

At approximately 9:00 PM, East Precinct officers, along with Birmingham Fire and Rescue (BFRS) personnel were dispatched to an area near the 200 Block of Sellers Road on report of a Burned Body.

Officers arrived on the scene and observed the victim in the 1000 Block of Sellers Road; she was unresponsive and had been burned. Officers observed visible signs of trauma.

BFRS personnel pronounced the victim deceased. It was later discovered she had been shot.

The preliminary investigation suggests the victim was reported missing on Thursday, June 1, 2023. She had not been seen nor heard from since the day before. She reportedly went to make a Facebook Marketplace purchase; however, we cannot confirm that this factor led to her death.

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.

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 50th murder investigation of 2023 with 4 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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