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Gunfire Erupts as Officer Arrives on Car Break-In Call

The Birmingham Police Department reports gunfire erupted as an officer arrived on the scene of a Car Break-In call. The incident occurred on **Tuesday, November 14, 2023**.

At around 8:50 p.m., the Birmingham 911 Communications Division received a call of a Car Break-In In Progress at a residence in the 2500 Block of 29th Street Ensley.

A West Precinct officer responded to the location; once our officer arrived on the scene, he heard an exchange of gunfire near him. Our officer observed two male suspects flee the scene on foot; he pursued the suspects in an alleyway until he lost sight of them.

Officers canvassed the area, but were unable to locate the suspects.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that at least two suspects were breaking into a car at a residence when they were involved in a shootout with the homeowner.

The homeowner was not struck by gunfire. Our officer was not struck by gunfire nor did he fire any shots. Officers discovered the homeowner's vehicle had been broken into.

We encourage all community members in the area to be alert for any suspicious activity.

The Birmingham Police Department wants the public to be aware it is not uncommon for car break-in suspects to be armed with a firearm.

Anyone with information, please call the BPD Crimes Against Property Division @ (205) 254-1769 or remain anonymous and receive up to \$5,000 by dialing Crime Stoppers @ (205) 254-7777.