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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Saturday, November 18, 2023.

The victim has been identified as:

Zion Kewayne Taylor (24), B/M, of Birmingham, Alabama.

At approximately 1:33 p.m., West Precinct officers were responding to a ShotSpotter notification. While en route, the call was updated stating a male had been shot at 17th Street Ensley and Avenue I.

Officers arrived on the scene and observed an adult male unresponsive in the driver's seat of a vehicle, suffering from an apparent gunshot wound.

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

The preliminary investigation suggests the victim and an unknown male were involved in a verbal altercation, the unknown male shot the victim and left the scene.

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 112th murder investigation of 2023 with 8 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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