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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on **Saturday**, **January 6**, **2024**.

The victim has been identified as:

Ledaron Pope, (43), B/M, of Birmingham, Alabama.

At approximately 5:05 p.m., East Precinct officers were dispatched to a Person Shot call in the 8400 Block of 7th Avenue South.

Officers arrived on the scene and then entered a residence when they observed the victim lying unresponsive suffering from an apparent gunshot wound.

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

The preliminary investigation suggests the victim may have been shot during a home invasion.

There is no one in custody.

Anyone who has information in the case, please contact B.P.D.'s Homicide Unit @ 205-254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 205-254-7777.

Crime Stoppers pays tipsters cash rewards of up to \$5,000 for their tips.

This is Birmingham's 1st murder investigation of 2024.

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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