

## For Immediate Release

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## **Homicide Investigation**

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on **Sunday, March 3, 2024**.

The victim has been identified as:

Phong Nguyen, (21), B/M, of Birmingham, Alabama.

At approximately 2:35 a.m., West Precinct officers were dispatched to a Person Shot call at a residence in the 900 Block of Dugan Avenue.

Officers arrived on the scene and then entered the residence when they discovered 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 residence is a short-term rental (Airbnb). There was a party or gathering being held at the residence when someone fired gunshots.

Detectives are working to learn what events led to the victim being shot and also if the suspect(s) was inside at the party or outside.

There is no one in custody.

Anyone with information about the case, please get in touch with the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ 205-254-1764 or remain anonymous and receive a cash reward by dialing Crime Stoppers @ 205-254-7777.

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

This is Birmingham's 17th murder investigation of 2024 with 2 justifiable death rulings.

The Birmingham Police Department adheres to FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines 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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