



# *For Immediate Release*

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## **Homicide Investigation**

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on **Sunday, April 21, 2024**.

The victim has been identified as:

**Richard Edwards Jr., (44), B/M, of Birmingham, Alabama.**

At approximately 2:15 a.m., West Precinct officers were dispatched to a Person Shot call at a residence in the 10 Block of Holt Avenue.

Officers arrived on the scene when they observed the victim lying unresponsive in the yard of the residence suffering from an apparent gunshot wound.

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

The preliminary investigation suggests a community member heard gunshots in the area and then dialed 911.

Detectives are working to determine a motive for the shooting.

There is no one in custody.

**Anyone who has information on 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 **39** murder investigation of 2024 with **4** justifiable death rulings.

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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