



# *For Immediate Release*

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## **Homicide Investigation**

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Wednesday, May 15, 2024.

The victim has been identified as:

**Douglas Fitzgerald Youngblood Jr., (29), B/M, of Fairfield, Alabama.**

At approximately 11:57 p.m., East Precinct officers responded to a ShotSpotter notification of approximately four gunshots fired in the 5500 Block of 1st Avenue S. While en route, the call was updated to a Person Shot.

When officers arrived on the scene, they observed the victim lying in the middle of the roadway unresponsive, suffering from an apparent gunshot wound.

Birmingham Fire and Rescue Services arrived on the scene and transported the victim to UAB Hospital for treatment of life-threatening injuries.

On Thursday, May 16, 2024, at approximately 2:15 a.m., the victim was pronounced deceased by UAB Hospital personnel.

The preliminary investigation suggests a motorist passing the location, observed the victim lying in the roadway near his crashed vehicle, and call 911 Emergency Services.

The details of this investigation are limited.

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**.

This is Birmingham's **45<sup>th</sup>** murder investigation of 2024 with **5** 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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