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Double Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a double homicide investigation. The incident occurred on **Thursday, August 8, 2024**.

The victims have been identified as:

- 1. Laquita Dunn (49), B/F, of Birmingham, Alabama. (Dennison Avenue)**
- 2. Anthony Jackson, (76), B/M, of Birmingham, Alabama. (17th Place Southwest)**

Dennison Avenue

At approximately 4:45 p.m., West Precinct officers were dispatched to a report of Multiple People Shot at a residence in the 1600 Block of Dennison Avenue.

Officers arrived on the scene when they entered the residence and observed Laquita Dunn (family friend) suffering from a gunshot wound.

Birmingham Fire and Rescue (BFR) personnel arrived and pronounced Laquita Dunn deceased.

Officers learned the suspect had also shot his father; however, the victim was transported to Princeton Hospital by private vehicle. The suspect's father was later hospitalized at UAB Hospital with life-threatening injuries.

17th Place Southwest

Officers learned the suspect had fired shots at a residence in the 1400 Block of 17th

Place Southwest.

Officers arrived at the residence when they entered and discovered the suspect's grandfather, Anthony Jackson, and an adult female (family friend) suffering from a gunshot wound.

BFR personnel pronounced Anthony Jackson deceased. Medics transported the adult female to UAB Hospital with life-threatening injuries.

The preliminary investigation suggests the shootings stemmed from an argument that is "domestic in nature."

Suspect Captured

BPD deployed numerous resources to West Birmingham following the shootings. The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office assisted us greatly by providing their Star 1 helicopter and additional resources. The U.S. Marshals Service also assisted us greatly.

At 9:15 p.m., BPD's Crime Reduction Team, our partners at the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and the U.S. Marshal's Service took the suspect into custody in the Five Points West Shopping District.

Officers transported him to BPD Headquarters where BPD Homicide detectives interviewed him. The suspect was then booked into the Birmingham City Jail under a 48-Hour Felony Extension for **Capital Murder**.

Anyone who has information on the case, please contact 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 87th & 88th murder investigation of 2024 with 8 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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