



Media Information

Columbus Division of Police
Homicide Bureau / Homicide Team 4 Unit

Date: Sept 30, 2023

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Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide

Date: Sept 29, 2023

Time: 9:16pm

Location of Offense/Incident: 1400 Block of East Blake Ave

Zone: 6

Precinct: 5

Incident Report #: 230760771

Cruiser District: 54

Victim: Delmar Ward (deceased)	Sex: Male	Race: Black	Age: 35
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Suspect: Withheld at this time	Address:			
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Incident Summary: **UPDATE** On September 30, 2023, the Franklin County Coroner's office identified the shooting victim as Delmar Ward M/B 35. Next of Kin has been notified. The investigation continues by the Homicide Unit.

On September 29, 2023, CPD Patrol officers responded to the 1400 block of East Blake Avenue on the report of a shooting. Upon arrival, officers located the victim suffering from a gunshot wound. The victim was pronounced deceased at 9:25pm. The initial investigation revealed the victim may have been intruding at the shooter's residence. The case will be presented to the Franklin County Prosecutor's office for consideration of any charges. The victim has not been identified. At this time the suspect's name is not being released.

This incident remains under investigation.

Anyone with information regarding this incident, is asked to call the Columbus Police Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730 or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477). Detective Egelhoff is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective Corbin.

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