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Shelby Street Deadly Shooting Investigation

On Saturday, August 22, 2026 at 7:01 p.m., Columbus Police Officers were dispatched to the 2100 block of Shelby Street in reference to a shooting. Upon arrival, officers located a Black male (later identified as Demarcus Grimes, 24) suffering from gunshot wounds. Grimes was transported by EMS to Piedmont Columbus Regional where he died from his injuries.

The Violent Crimes Unit was called to the scene to take lead on the investigation.

This case remains under investigation. Anyone with information is urged to contact Cpl. K. Baldwin at KBaldwin@columbusga.org or 706-225-4337. You can remain anonymous.

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