

## **HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION**

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Note: This is an update to the Assault Investigation Press Release dated May 14, 2008

On Sunday, May 11, 2008, the Santa Monica Police Department responded to the 1900 block of 20<sup>th</sup> Street regarding a report of a person lying unconscious on the sidewalk. The victim was later identified as Preston Brumfield, a Santa Monica resident. Mr. Brumfield succumbed to his injuries while at the hospital and was pronounced dead on Friday, May 16, 2008. The Los Angeles County Coroner's Office declared the death to be a homicide.

This is an ongoing investigation and the Santa Monica Police Department is seeking the public's assistance. There is no suspect information at this time.

Anyone with additional information is encouraged to call the Santa Monica Police Department Detectives at (310) 458-8451 (M – F, 8 AM – 5 PM) or the Watch Commander at (310) 458-8427 (24 hours). Anyone wishing to remain anonymous may call the WeTip hotline at 1-800-78-CRIME (27463).