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The Allen County Coroner's Office has completed the autopsy of the child that was located at 1218 Gay Street, before being transported to Lutheran Hospital on Thursday, March 8, 2018. The deceased has been identified as Benjamyn Otto McKinney Frederick, male, black, 5 years of age, of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Cause of Death is Anoxic Encephalopathy Due to Neck Compression and Multiple Blunt Force Injuries, and the Manner of Death is Homicide.

Benjamyn Otto McKinney Frederick is the 10th Homicide victim in Allen County for 2018.

The incident remains under investigation by the Fort Wayne Police Department, Allen County Prosecutor's Office, and the Allen County Coroner's Office.

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