



# Allen County Coroner

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PRESS RELEASE  
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To: All Media Outlets  
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On December 6, 2021, the Allen County Coroner's Office was contacted by a local hospital and advised of the death of Ayania Starr Coker a female, black, age 20, of Fort Wayne, Indiana. Ayania Starr Coker was the operator of a motor vehicle that was shot by an unknown assailant, and crashed in to a parked vehicle in the 3000 block of Euclid Avenue, on December 5, 2021. The Three Rivers Ambulance Authority transported her to a local hospital where she was admitted.

The autopsy has been completed and next of kin has been notified. The Cause of Death has been determined to be Gunshot Wound, and the Manner of Death is Homicide.

Ayania Starr Coker is the 44<sup>th</sup> Homicide for Fort Wayne and Allen County in 2021.

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

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