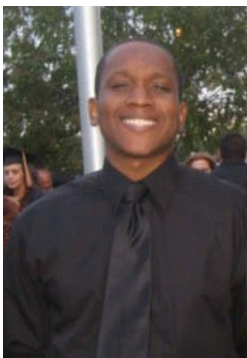


Calling **911** should not be a death sentence.



Mental Health Issues Are Not a Crime

On April 11, 2019, Samuel Celestin suffered a severe crisis at his home. He became disoriented and unaware of his surroundings. His mother and sister called 911 for assistance in getting Samuel transported to a mental health facility.

Shortly after police officers arrived at the Celestin home, Samuel would be held at gunpoint, tased repeatedly, held down and hogtied, and left lying on his stomach until he stopped breathing.

Following his autopsy on April 12, 2019, the Medical Examiner ruled Samuel's death a homicide.