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Shreveport Police officer shoots gunman

A man who allegedly fired numerous shots at a group of people in west Shreveport was shot by an officer early this morning**.**

Just minutes before 3:00 a.m. on January 18, 2014, a Shreveport Police patrol officer checking on a business in the 5200 block of Monkhouse Drive heard numerous shots being fired. As the officer initiated an investigation, he observed a male suspect firing a semi-automatic rifle at a crowd of people gathered on a parking lot there. The uniformed patrolman approached the gunman and ordered him to drop the weapon. The suspect refused to comply and continued to discharge the firearm. At that point, the officer fired shots at the armed suspect who subsequently fled the scene of the crime in a vehicle.

Moments later, as other officers responded to assist, authorities received a call relative to a man in a vehicle at Hearne Avenue and Midway Street who had been shot. Upon further investigation, police found 26 year old Ronald Hill there suffering from several gunshot wounds. Hill was transported to University Health Center by the Shreveport Fire Department with what were described a serious injuries. He is expected to recover.

Detectives were immediately dispatched and, based on information and evidence gathered during their ongoing inquiry, believe Hill was firing a rifle at the crowd on Monkhouse Drive when he was confronted by the officer. Hill, of Shreveport, has been charged with one count of illegal use of a weapon and may face other charges. Investigators have seized at least three weapons in connection with this shooting including the rifle they believe Hill was shooting.

At approximately 2:00 p.m. this afternoon, police responded to Willis-Knighton Hospital in the 2600 block of Greenwood Road relative to an adult male in the Emergency Room receiving treatment for wounds he allegedly received on Monkhouse Drive. The victim apparently had shrapnel wounds to his lower extremities that investigators believe occurred as a result of Hill firing the rifle.

The officer who fired at the suspect was not injured and has been placed on administrative leave by Police Chief Willie Shaw in accordance with departmental policy. The investigation into this

shooting continues at this hour and anyone with any information is asked to contact Shreveport-Caddo Parish Crime Stoppers at 318-673-7373 or www.lockemup.org

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