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Man hospitalized following shooting and subsequent car crash

A Shreveport man remains hospitalized following a shooting and subsequent car crash Sunday morning in north Shreveport.

Just after 5:45 a.m. on September 17, 2017, Shreveport Police patrol officers were called to a major accident near the intersection of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive at Russell Road. As officers arrived at the scene, it was learned that electric power to immediate area had been lost after a vehicle slammed into a utility pole causing major damage to the car and pole. Police learned that on their arrival, there were two persons outside the vehicle to include the driver, 26 year old Lebrandon Clarkson and his passenger 25 year old Cedrick Stroughter. Clarkson was located several feet from the vehicle suffering multiple gunshot wounds which were considered life-threatening. Stroughter, who was not shot, was taken along with Clarkson to University Health for treatment of minor injuries believed sustained in the crash.

Shreveport Police Violent Crimes detectives were called to the scene of the crime and immediately began the process of information and evidence gathering. Preliminary information into the matter suggests the vehicle driven by Clarkson was traveling eastbound along Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, when multiple vehicles pulled alongside it and began to fire weapons. It is believed Clarkson, after being shot, continued to drive until the point he lost control of the car, subsequently striking the utility pole. During further investigation, authorities located illegal narcotics along with other items consistently used in the manufacturing and distributing of illicit drugs at the scene of the crime. The discovery prompts officials to suspect narcotics may have been a motivating factor in the shooting. Investigators are working tirelessly at the moment in effort to identify and apprehend those persons responsible for the crime. Persons with any information about the shooting are asked to contact Crimestoppers at (318) 673-7373 or visit their website at: www.lockemup.org.

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