

# *Shreveport Police Dept.*



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### **Shreveport Police charge man with illegally possessing stolen diesel fuel**



Suspect Raymond Bailey

On December 6, 2017 just after 2:00 pm, the Shreveport Police Department's Warrants Unit executed arrest warrants on Raymond Bailey, 40, of the 900 block of West Texas Avenue in Waskom, Texas, following a tip that he was in Shreveport. When Bailey was taken into custody officers found him offloading approximately 1,000 gallons of diesel fuel into a private container. Officers also noticed that a large amount of diesel fuel had spilled onto the ground.

Members of Shreveport Police Department's DART team, Shreveport Police Property Crimes Detectives, and Louisiana State Police responded to the scene to assist with the investigation and address the hazmat spill. Property Crimes Detectives made contact with the owner of the fuel truck and learned that Bailey was scheduled to offload 7,000 gallons of fuel in Desoto Parish but allegedly only offloaded a portion of the load and brought the rest to Shreveport in what investigators believe was a ploy to sell the fuel for personal gain. The truck was inspected on scene and still contained 1,700 gallons of diesel.

Bailey was charged for illegally being in possession of 2,700 gallons of stolen diesel fuel valued at an estimated \$6,763.00, Illegal Discharge of Hazmat, Failure to Report Hazmat Incident, and fugitive warrants out of Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office. He was booked into the Shreveport City Jail. Clean up efforts are still underway.

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