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Two charged in attempt to run down officer

Two Shreveport men are now in police custody facing charges stemming from alleged attempts to run down a Shreveport Police officer Thursday afternoon in Shreveport's Highland neighborhood.

Just before 4:30 p.m. on December 14, 2017, members of the Shreveport Police Department's Vice Unit were conducting operations in the 600 block of Herndon Street, when according to involved agents, a man they were attempting to arrest, used the car he was operating to attempt to run over a police officer while fleeing from the scene.

In response to the man's potentially deadly acts of aggression towards police, the involved agent fired his department issued service weapon at the driver of a late model Chevrolet Malibu, striking the car twice. The man, identified as 26 year old Curt L. Chambers of the 500 block of Boulevard Street, was fingered as the driver of the sedan used in the crime. A second man, 25 year old Joshua Smith, also of the 500 block of Boulevard Street, was identified as the sole passenger inside the car during the ordeal. Both men were taken into police custody following a subsequent crash of Chamber's vehicle, which struck two unmarked automobiles being used by agents at the time of the incident. A third vehicle, which was parked, unoccupied along the 600 block of Herndon Street, was also damaged after Chamber's continued attempts to flee. While at the scene, officers located a firearm inside Chamber's car, along with drugs and cash. Chambers was taken to University Health hospital for treatment of minor injuries associated with the crash. Upon release, Chambers will be booked into the Shreveport City Jail on a single charge of attempted first degree murder. Smith, who was booked into the Shreveport City jail, faces misdemeanor charges of possession with intent to distribute a schedule one narcotic. No officers suffered injury during the ordeal. The investigation is on-going.

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