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Shreveport man shot during alleged drug exchange

A man is recovering from gunshot injuries he sustained after being shot while purchasing narcotics in a west Shreveport neighborhood earlier tonight.

On January 7, 2018 just before 8:00 pm, Shreveport Police responded to University Health Hospital on reports of a man arriving at the emergency room suffering from multiple gunshot injuries. Officers made contact with 30-year-old Jerry James and learned that he had been shot twice in the upper leg and hip area.

Detectives with the Violent Crimes Unit responded to the hospital and began their inquiry. Through the course of their investigation, they learned that James and a friend went to a residence in the 500 block of Fuller Street to allegedly purchase illegal narcotics. James and an unknown male suspect began arguing and the suspect produced a firearm and began firing shots at James striking him twice. James' friend transported him to University Health Hospital. His injuries were described as non-life threatening. The investigation is ongoing.

Persons with information about this crime are asked to contact Shreveport Caddo Crime Stoppers at 318-673-7373 or Lockemup.org.

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