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### **Crime Stoppers tip helps identify suspect in pair of convenience store robberies**



Suspect Charles Dotson

Shreveport Police investigators have linked a Shreveport man to a pair of business armed robberies with help from a Crimestoppers tip.

Back on December 29, 2017, Shreveport Police patrol officers were called to the Circle K convenience store located in the 1000 block of Shreveport-Barksdale Highway relative to an armed robbery of the business. As officers arrived at the business it was learned a male armed with a gun entered the business and demanded cash from the clerk. The man fled the business and was not apprehended. One week later, authorities were called to a second Circle K location, this time in the 1300 block of Captain Shreve Drive, relative to an armed robbery of the business. The suspect in the robbery was captured in the act by the businesses' surveillance camera.

Since the investigation into the robbery began, detectives with the Shreveport Police Department's Armed Robbery Task Force have worked diligently in search of a suspect. The release of surveillance video from the capers led authorities to release the images of the suspect to the local media. Not long after the release of the video, authorities began to receive Crimestoppers tips suggesting the identity of the man captured on video. After following up on information from the aforementioned tips, investigators were able to link 36 year old Charles Dotson of Shreveport to both Crimes. A warrant was procured for the arrest of Dotson, who was found to be under arrest in Panama City Florida on charges of attempted robbery in that jurisdiction. Dotson now faces two counts of armed robbery for his alleged role in both business robberies. Bond in the matter has been set at \$200,000 for each charge.

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