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DNA evidence links man to vehicle burglary



Suspect Demarcus Washington

Shreveport Police have a man in custody after DNA placed him at the scene of a 2017 vehicle burglary.

Back on January 14, 2017 just after 12:30 am, Shreveport Police responded to the corner of Travis Street and Edwards Street on reports of a vehicle burglary. Officers learned that the victim left his car parked at that location for approximately one hour and when he returned he found his window broken and firearms and other property missing from inside.

The Crime Scene Investigations Unit responded to the scene and recovered evidence that was later submitted to the North Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory for DNA analysis. On January 24, 2018, investigators were notified that DNA extracted from the evidence collected from the scene was matched to 42-year-old Demarcus Washington of the 700 block of Melody Lane. Washington was already in Caddo Correctional Center on other burglary charges. Armed with the new information, detectives re-opened the investigation, which led them to Washington's residence. There they recovered some of the victim's property but learned that the firearms had been sold.

Washington was charged with one count of Simple Burglary and two counts of being a felon in possession of a firearm. He remains at Caddo Correctional Center.

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