

# *Shreveport Police Dept.*



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## **DNA links man to cold case burglary**



Suspect John Ashcraft

Shreveport Police have a man charged with burglary after he allegedly left blood evidence at a burglary scene back in the spring of 2017.

On May 21, 2017, Shreveport Police patrol officers responded to the 2600 block of Amelia Avenue on reports of a residential burglary. During their on scene investigation officers recovered blood evidence believed to be that of the suspect. That evidence was submitted to the North Louisiana Criminalistics Laboratory for DNA analysis.

On February 21, 2018, Investigators with Property Crimes Investigations Unit received notification that the DNA submitted matched to John Ashcraft, 40, of the 2600 block of Amelia Avenue. Ashcraft, who was already in custody on unrelated charges, was charged with one count of Simple Burglary of an Inhabited Dwelling. Ashcraft remains in the Shreveport City Jail. Shreveport Police have arrested Ashcraft multiple times for drug and theft related offenses.

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