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Shreveport Police investigate late afternoon shooting

Shreveport Police are investigating a late afternoon shooting that left one man injured in west Shreveport.

On March 17, 2018 just after 6:00 pm, Shreveport Police patrol officers responded to reports of a shooting in the 7700 block of Wyngate Boulevard. Officers arrived and located 24-year-old Melvin C Blake who was suffering from a single gunshot wound to the back of his left shoulder. Blake was transported to University Health Hospital with what was described as non-life threatening injuries.

Detectives with the Violent Crimes Division responded and began their investigation. Blake advised detectives that he made plans to purchase a firearm and was told to meet the seller in the 700 block of Bernice Circle. Blake contacted two individuals and they demanded more than the agreed upon price for the gun. Blake advised that he gave the subjects the money then they attempted to leave without giving him the firearm. He grabbed the firearm from one man and as they struggled, the suspect ordered his accomplice to shoot Blake. The second suspect fired multiple shots at Blake, striking him once. Blake fled the scene and stopped on Wyngate Boulevard to get help. This investigation is ongoing.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to contact the Shreveport Police Department at 318-673-7300. Information can also be submitted anonymously by contacting Shreveport Caddo Crime Stoppers at 318-673-7373, Lockemup.org, or via their app at P3Tips.

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