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## **Shreveport Police investigate morning shooting**



Suspect Anthony Thomas

Shreveport Police continue their investigation into an early morning robbery turned shooting that left two men injured in west Shreveport.

On June 2, 2018 just before 6:45 am, Shreveport Police Patrol officers responded to reports of shots fired in the 3900 block of Adrian Street. Arriving officers located 23-year-old Jemarea Anderson in the roadway suffering from at least one gunshot wound to the abdomen. He was transported to University Health Hospital with what was described as life threatening injuries. As officers were securing the crime scene they were informed that a second victim involved in the shooting, 21-year old Chamorea Bell, arrived at Willis Knighton North Hospital by private vehicle and was suffering from at least one gunshot wound to the back. Bell's injuries were described as non- life threatening. Patrol officers made contact with witnesses who reported hearing shots then seeing a man being pushed from a tan Tahoe. The vehicle fled west bound down Adrian Street.

Investigators with the Violent Crimes Unit responded to the scene and launched their investigation. Through interviews, investigators learned that Anderson, Bell, and a third victim, 24-year-old Myron Lawson, were allegedly robbed by 29-year-old Anthony Thomas of the 6200 block of Tinker Street. During the robbery, Thomas is believed to have shot Anderson and Bell with what was described as a revolver style handgun. He then allegedly took Lawson's vehicle and fled the scene.

Later in the day patrol officers located Thomas at a hotel in the 4900 block of West Monkhouse Drive and took him into custody. At the time of his arrest Thomas was armed with a .45 caliber handgun that was concealed in the waistband of his pants. During a search of his hotel room officers located a stolen .357 caliber revolver believed to be the weapon used in the shooting. Both weapons were seized as evidence. Following interviews

with detectives, Thomas was charged with one count each of Illegal Carrying of a Weapon, Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Possession of a Stolen Firearm, and Possession of Marijuana. More charges are expected. The investigation is ongoing.

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