

# *Shreveport Police Dept.*



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### **UPDATE**

#### **Man sought in connection with multiple business burglaries in Southern Hills captured**



Suspect Michael Butler

An East Texas man wanted in connection with multiple business burglaries in the Southern Hills neighborhood was captured following a business burglary in north Shreveport this morning.

On June 12, 2018, investigators with Shreveport Police Department's Property Crimes Unit procured warrants charging 56-year-old Michael Butler of Deberry, Texas with multiple counts of Simple Burglary following a lengthy investigation into a rash of business burglaries in the Southern Hills area of South Shreveport.

On June 24, 2018 just before 2:45 am, Shreveport Police patrol officers were dispatched to a silent alarm at NAPA Auto Parts in the 1300 block of North Market. Arriving officers found that the business had been burglarized and began searching the area. Officers located Michael Butler in very close proximity to the business and took him into custody without incident. Through video evidence, officers also connected him to a separate burglary that occurred just after 12:00 am at Tax Giant, located in the 1100 block of North Market Street.

Investigators responded and following interviews with Butler, charged him with the burglary of the NAPA Auto Parts Store, Tax Giant, the June 17<sup>th</sup> burglary of Valvoline in the 9100 block of Mansfield Road, the June 17<sup>th</sup> burglary of SecureCare Storage in the 2700 block of Alkay Drive, and his outstanding warrants. More charges are forthcoming. Butler was booked into the Shreveport City Jail.

## Man sought in connection with multiple business burglaries in Southern Hills



Suspect Michael Butler

An East Texas man is on the run after investigators procured multiple arrest warrants charging him with burglarizing businesses in Shreveport's Southern Hills neighborhood. On March 15, 2018, Shreveport police patrol officers responded to Bombshell hair Salon in the 2500 block of Crestwood Drive on reports of a business burglary. Arriving officers learned that the business had been broken into during the night and an undisclosed amount of money taken from within. On April 12, 2018, officers responded a rash of business burglaries in the Southern Hills area. Shreveport Sewing Center in the 600 block of West Bert Kouns Industrial Loop, Shreveport Antiques in the 2800 block of Summer Grove Drive and Total Changes in the 600 block of West Bert Kouns Industrial Loop were all forcibly entered and property inside damaged. Cash and other valuables were taken in two of the burglaries. Investigators released video footage of the burglaries but received no leads. Detectives worked together using the suspect's vehicle descriptions and other investigative tools to develop 56-year-old Michael Butler, of Deberry Texas, as the alleged suspect in the string of burglaries. Detectives executed a search warrant at his home in Texas. Following the search warrant, investigators procured a warrant for Butler's arrest charging him with four counts of Simple Burglary in connection to the aforementioned business burglaries. Bond was set at \$20,000. Detectives believe that Butler is continuing to commit business burglaries in the Southern Hills area, some as recently as this past weekend. Butler could be driving a gray Ford truck or a white Chevy truck with a light bar on top and a toolbox in the bed. Police and investigators are actively searching for this individual and are asking the public's assistance. If you have information that can help locate Butler please contact investigators at 318-673-6955 or 318-673-7300 option #3. Persons wishing to remain anonymous can reach out to Shreveport Caddo Crime Stoppers at 318-673-7373 or via their app, P3Tips which can be downloaded in the app store. Crime Stoppers is an organization that pays cash rewards for information leading to the identification and arrest of people responsible for committing crimes.

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