

# *Shreveport Police Dept.*



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### **Man injured in late night shooting, suspect arrested**



Suspect Cedric Needham

Shreveport Police investigators have a man in custody accused of shooting another in an east Shreveport Liquor Store last night.

On June 26, 2018, just after 11:30 p.m., Shreveport Police patrol officers responded to the 200 block of East 70th Street to Cajun Liquor on reports of a man being shot. Arriving officers contacted 41-year-old Kevin Mitchell suffering from a single gunshot wound to the abdomen. Mitchell advised officers that he and a co-worker/friend, 34-year-old Cedric Needham of the 4200 block of Greenwood Road, were joking around and Needham accidentally discharged his handgun, striking him in the stomach. Mitchell was transported to University Health Hospital with non-life threatening injuries. Investigators with the Violent Crimes Unit responded to the scene. After reviewing store video and speaking with witnesses investigators believe that the men were laughing and talking to each other when Needham allegedly pulled his weapon from his holster and pointed it at Mitchell and unintentionally fired one round. Needham contacted officers and agreed to return to the scene last night but did not. Today, June 27, 2018, Needham surrendered himself to authorities at the Shreveport Police Complex. Following interviews, Needham was charged with one count of Illegal Use of a Weapon for the criminally negligent discharging of the firearm that resulted in injury to Mitchell. Needham was booked into the Shreveport City Jail.

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