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Man involved in Independence Day shooting arrested for warrants



Suspect Justin Turks

Shreveport Police have arrested a man who was injured in a July 4th shooting incident on outstanding felony warrants. On July 4, 2018, just after 2:00 pm Shreveport Police patrol officers responded to reports of a shooting at the Bayou Oaks Apartment Complex in the 2100 block of Grimmatt Drive. One of the individuals injured in the melee was identified as 22-year-old Justin Turks. Turks allegedly pulled a weapon from his waistband during the incident but investigators do not believe he fired shots. He was transported to University Health Hospital with what was described as non-life threatening injuries. While at the hospital, investigators discovered that Turks had an outstanding warrant for Illegal Possession of a Stolen Firearm. The warrant stemmed from a June 19, 2018, incident where Turks was contacted by Shreveport Police Department's Community Response Unit after they responded to reports of a suspicious person in the 3800 block of Jackson Street. The officer made contact with Turks, who was loitering at a vacant residence. The officer located a weapon in Turks waistband during a weapons pat down and when the officer took possession of the handgun, Turks broke away and fled the scene on foot. Officers searched for Turks but were unable to locate him that night. The handgun was reported stolen. Investigators with the Property Crimes Investigations Unit conducted a follow up investigation and were able to procure a warrant for Turks arrest charging him with one count of Illegal Possession of a Stolen Firearm. Bond was set at \$10,000.00. Turks was also wanted for a parish probation violation. He was booked into the Shreveport City Jail following his release from University Health Hospital. He is currently being held at Caddo Correctional Center with no bond.

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