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Crime Stoppers tip leads to arrest of Purse Snatcher



Suspect Jared Lee Freeman

Investigators with Shreveport Police Department's Tactical Robbery Unit have jailed a man in connection to an east Shreveport Purse snatching that occurred late last week.

On September 12, 2019, Shreveport Police patrol officers were dispatched to the 5800 block of Line Avenue on reports of a purse snatching. Arriving officers learned that a white male suspect aggressively approached the victim, snatched her purse from her buggy, and fled the business on foot. An employee of the business gave chase and confronted the robber and was able to recover the victim's purse, but was battered by the suspect during his valiant effort causing minor injury.

Investigators released photos extracted from the store's surveillance video to the public in hopes of getting the man identified. Within hours police were inundated with tips received through the Shreveport Caddo Crime Stoppers Organization. The information received from Crime Stoppers and subsequent follow up by detectives led to the identity and arrest of 42-year-old Jared Lee Freeman of the 9500 block of Bonnydune Drive. Freeman was taken into custody shortly after 11:00 am today and was taken to the Shreveport Police Complex for interviews. Following interviews, Freeman was booked into the Shreveport City jail on one count of Purse Snatching and one count of Simple Battery.

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