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**Traffic Stop leads to a Vehicle Pursuit**



**J'Tavion Smith**

On January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, around 5:40 pm officers attempted to conduct a traffic stop of a Honda Civic at Clarke Boulevard and Jewella Avenue. The vehicle refused to stop and Shreveport Police Patrol officers gave chase.

The vehicle fled through the Mooretown Neighborhood eventually crashing in the 4900 block of Kennedy Drive. The vehicle then caught fire and four occupants fled from the vehicle on foot.

Pursuing officers were able to capture the driver, J'Tavion Smith (8/14/04). It was then discovered that the vehicle was stolen. Smith was charged with Aggravated Flight from an Officer, Illegal Possession of the stolen vehicle, Possession of Schedule One, and Obstruction of Justice. A firearm was also seized from the incident.

No injuries were reported.

Due to the laws issued in reference to mugshot releases in the state of Louisiana we are required to remind that all suspects are innocent until proven guilty.