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**Police search for runaway**



**Emerald Hicks**

Shreveport Police are asking for the public's help to locate a 16-year-old runaway.

On January 17, 2024, Emerald Hicks was reported as a runaway. She was last seen in the 500 Block of Melrose Street at approximately 2:00 a.m. that morning. Hicks is approximately 5'7" tall and weighs approximately 140 pounds. No clothing description was known.

Police are asking anyone with information as to Hick's whereabouts to contact Shreveport Police at 318-673-7300 #3 or 318-673-6955. We would also like to remind our community that harboring a runaway is illegal and those who choose to harbor runaways are subject to arrest.