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**Shreveport Police Located Three Runaway Juveniles-
MOTHER ARRESTED**

The children have located are with a relative. The mother, **Lemeka Smith**, 44 years old, has been arrested for three counts of Criminal Neglect after evidence of abuse was found by officers.

Previous Release

The Shreveport Police Department is actively seeking the public's assistance in locating three runaway juveniles who were last seen in the 5100 block of Monkhouse Drive in the early morning hours of April 24th. The missing individuals are identified as 15-year-old Hadayza Smith, 13-year-old Hajerrica Smith, and 12-year-old Hataja Smith.

Hadayza Smith is described as approximately 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighing 120 pounds, with brown eyes and brown hair. She was last seen wearing a red hoodie and black leggings.

Hajerrica Smith stands approximately 5 feet 4 inches tall, weighing 100 pounds, with brown eyes and brown hair. She was last seen wearing red shorts and a gray hoodie.

Hataja Smith is approximately 5 feet tall, weighing 130 pounds, with brown eyes and brown hair. She was last seen wearing pink sweatpants and a gray hoodie.

The three girls are reported as runaways, and any information regarding their whereabouts should be reported to the Shreveport Police Department at 318-673-7300. We urge the public to come forward with any information that may assist in locating these children promptly.