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Gary Demery

Convicted Felon Arrested for Firearms Charge

In the early hours of July 29, 2024, at approximately 4:15 a.m., the Shreveport Police Department's Violent Crimes Abatement Team (VCAT), in collaboration with the Shreveport Police Warrant's Unit and the Shreveport City Marshal's Office, executed a search warrant in the 3400 block of Jackson Street.

During the operation, VCAT members made contact with Gary Demery, born on December 1, 1985. Following the seizure of weapons, Demery was arrested for possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and transported to the Shreveport Police Department Jail.

Chief Wayne Smith and the Shreveport Police Department are committed to combating violent crime by removing firearms from individuals prohibited from possessing them. This arrest demonstrates our ongoing efforts to ensure the safety and security of our community.