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Man Arrested for Multiple Charges After Fleeing from Police



On August 16, 2024, members of the Shreveport Police Department's Violent Crimes Abatement Team (VCAT) were contacted by a complainant who reported an incident involving Derion Kelly, a 22-year-old male. The complainant stated that Kelly met him in the Shreveport Police Department's parking lot and exchanged a firearm for a cashier's check. When the complainant attempted to cash the check, they discovered it was forged.

On August 20, 2024, officers attempted to contact Kelly in the parking lot of the Shreveport Police Department. As Kelly entered the parking lot, VCAT officers and a Shreveport City Marshal's Deputy approached him. Kelly fled the scene, colliding with a Shreveport City Marshal's vehicle in the process. VCAT officers pursued Kelly's Ford Mustang, which later collided with a parked vehicle and a residence on Logan Street.

Kelly attempted to flee on foot but was quickly apprehended by a VCAT member. A search of the Ford Mustang revealed a forged check, a stolen firearm, and a shell casing. Kelly was transported to a local hospital for treatment and subsequently charged with the following offenses:

- Theft of a Vehicle, Forgery, Issuing Worthless Checks, Aggravated Flight, Aggravated, Criminal Property Damage & Resisting an Officer

We extend our gratitude to the Shreveport City Marshal's Office for their continued assistance in apprehending violent criminals in our city.