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**Shreveport Police Take More Guns Off the Streets**



**Stephen Plater Sheldon Till Rodney Garner Devante Brown**

Shreveport Police Department officers have removed several firearms from criminal hands during recent incidents, further demonstrating the department's commitment to reducing gun violence in the community.

Incident

#1:

On Friday, December 13, 2024, at approximately 6:02 p.m., officers responded to an armed person call at 4302 N. Market Street, Apartment 501. The complainant reported that her brother, 32-year-old Stephen Plater, had threatened them with a firearm.

Upon arrival, officers detained Plater, who was sitting on the apartment steps. An investigation revealed Plater is a convicted felon with prior charges including Second Degree Rape and Second Degree Battery. He was arrested for Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon, and the weapon was secured and logged into evidence.

Incident

#2:

Later that evening, at approximately 8:58 p.m., officers were dispatched to the 6700 block of Raspberry Lane regarding a domestic disturbance. Following an investigation, 36-year-old Sheldon Till was arrested for Aggravated Assault Upon a Dating Partner and Possession of a Firearm by a

Convicted Felon.

Officers also discovered Till had multiple outstanding warrants from other jurisdictions. His firearm was seized and placed into evidence.

Incident

#3:

On Saturday, December 14, 2024, at approximately 10:20 p.m., officers conducting proactive patrols observed a suspicious vehicle in the 4200 block of Lakeshore Drive. After investigating, they found 28-year-old Rodney Garner in possession of narcotics and a firearm. Garner was arrested for Possession of Narcotics and Illegal Carrying of a Weapon.

Incident

#4:

Later that night, officers initiated a traffic stop at Pines Road and Greenwood Road. During the stop, they observed a Glock 9mm firearm between the driver's seat and center console. A further search of the vehicle revealed a large quantity of narcotics. The driver, 24-year-old Devante Brown, was arrested for Distribution of Narcotics and Illegal Carrying of a Firearm.

In all cases, the firearms were seized and will be destroyed upon completion of legal proceedings.

The Shreveport Police Department takes gun-related offenses seriously and will continue working diligently to remove illegal firearms from the streets to protect the community.