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Violence Takes Many Forms: Two Arrested in Separate Assault Incidents



James Youngblood

Calvin Miles

Violence in our community can manifest in unexpected ways. Shreveport Police have recently arrested two men in separate incidents involving assaults with unconventional weapons.

December 31, 2024 – Irving Place

At approximately 3:25 PM, officers responded to a report of assault and battery in the 1700 block of Irving Place. During the investigation, it was determined that James Youngblood assaulted a female victim at the location. Witnesses reported that the victim was outside a business smoking a cigarette when Youngblood approached her, took the cigarette from her hand, and struck her with a shovel.

Youngblood was arrested and charged with Aggravated Battery with a Dangerous Weapon. The victim sustained visible injuries but is expected to recover.

December 30, 2024 – Hope for the Homeless Shelter

In an unrelated case, just after 8:30 AM, officers were dispatched to an assault and battery call at the Hope for the Homeless Shelter, located in the 2300 block of Levy Street. Upon arrival, officers spoke with the victim and a witness, who stated that Calvin Miles struck the victim with both a brick and a metal crutch during a dispute.

Miles was arrested and charged with Aggravated Assault with a Dangerous Weapon. The victim in this incident also sustained visible injuries but is expected to recover fully.

These incidents serve as a reminder that violence in our community is not always related to firearms. Conflict resolution and de-escalation must improve to prevent such assaults. The Shreveport Police Department remains committed to ensuring the safety of all residents and holding individuals accountable for acts of violence.