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Shreveport Police Apprehend Prolific Retail Thief Known as 'Fire Exit Lady'



Catreece Madison ("Fire Exit Lady")

On February 10, 2025, Shreveport Police Property Crimes Detectives, in collaboration with Patrol officers, successfully apprehended a prolific retail thief who had been stealing from the Youree Drive Target for the past year and a half. The suspect, identified as Catreece Madison, was previously known only as "Fire Exit Lady" due to her repeated method of fleeing through the store's fire exit after committing thefts.

Upon officers' arrival at Target on February 10, Madison attempted to flee on foot, leading to a pursuit through the store and parking lot. She was ultimately apprehended after being tased.

Detectives had been investigating this case but had been unable to identify the suspect until now. Madison was responsible for at least 21 thefts from Target, dating back to September 7, 2023. In total, she had stolen approximately \$10,000 worth of merchandise over the past 18 months.

Following her capture, Madison was charged with one count of Felony Theft (14:67B(3)) for a series of three thefts committed on February 2, 6, and 10, 2025, which amounted to \$1,530 in stolen goods.

A review of her criminal history revealed four prior theft convictions, three of which were issued before her first known theft at Target on September 7, 2023. Her fourth conviction occurred on October 27, 2023. Due to her habitual offender status, detectives also charged Madison with 18 additional counts of Felony Theft—one for each theft committed at the business between September 7, 2023, and January 26, 2025.

Shreveport Police remain committed to holding repeat offenders accountable and protecting local businesses from ongoing theft. Anyone with additional information related to this case is encouraged to contact Shreveport Police at (318) 673-7300 or Caddo Crime Stoppers at (318) 673-7373.