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## Serious Crash Under Investigation at Hearne Avenue and Milam Street

At approximately 8:30 a.m., Shreveport Police were dispatched to a two-vehicle crash at the intersection of Hearne Avenue and Milam Street. Upon arrival, officers discovered that one occupant had sustained life-threatening injuries. Due to the severity of the crash, the department's Crash Investigations Unit responded to the scene.

Investigators determined that a Jeep Patriot had collided head-on with a metal light pole, while a Ford Escape SUV was found approximately 100 yards away, overturned in a drainage ditch.

Preliminary investigation revealed that both vehicles were traveling northbound on Hearne Avenue when they encountered a tire in the roadway. In an effort to avoid the tire, one vehicle swerved, colliding with the other. This caused the Ford Escape to overcorrect, leave the roadway, become airborne, and overturn into the ditch. The Jeep Patriot also overcorrected, resulting in a head-on collision with a metal light pole.

Investigators noted that no occupants in either vehicle were wearing seatbelts. As a result, the driver of the Escape was ejected from the vehicle. All occupants from both vehicles were transported by ambulance to area hospitals. The passenger of one vehicle sustained life-threatening injuries and remains in critical condition. All other occupants are either in stable condition or have been released.

Both vehicles have been impounded as evidence. Blood samples were collected from both drivers and sent to the crime lab for testing. No citations have been issued at this time, and the investigation remains ongoing.

Anyone with information regarding this crash is urged to contact the Shreveport Police Department at 318-673-7300.