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Two Arrested in Separate Incidents for Illegal Firearm Possession



Vermont Powell & Avionest Fuller

On April 12, 2025, Shreveport Police officers responded to two separate incidents involving individuals unlawfully in possession of firearms.

Just after 1:30 a.m., officers were dispatched to the 5200 block of Sussex Avenue in reference to an armed person. Upon arrival, officers made contact with the complainant, who reported that her boyfriend, Vermont Powell, had threatened her with a firearm. While no visible injuries were observed on the victim, further investigation revealed that Powell was allegedly in possession of a firearm. Officers also discovered that Powell is a convicted felon and is therefore prohibited from possessing any firearms. An arrest was made in connection with the incident.

Later that evening, at approximately 8:50 p.m., Shreveport Police Patrol officers conducted a traffic stop which led to the arrest of Avionest Fuller. During the stop, it was determined that Fuller was operating a vehicle that was neither registered nor insured. Officers also discovered a firearm in the vehicle. Further investigation revealed that Fuller is a convicted felon with multiple felony offenses, including a conviction in a 2004 homicide, and is prohibited from possessing a firearm.

The Shreveport Police Department remains committed to keeping illegal firearms out of the hands of those who are not legally allowed to possess them. We thank our officers for their swift response and continued efforts in ensuring public safety.

Anyone with information about illegal firearm possession or other criminal activity is urged to contact the Shreveport Police Department at 318-673-7300 or Caddo Crime Stoppers at 318-673-7373.