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Shreveport Police Officers Diffuse Tense Situation at Veterans Park

Christopher Gallagher

On September 22, 2025, at approximately 7:45 p.m., Shreveport Police officers responded to Veterans Park in the 2000 block of Clyde Fant Parkway after concerned citizens reported a man acting erratically with a weapon.

Upon arrival, officers encountered 41-year-old Christopher Gallagher, who was armed with a firearm and exhibiting aggressive behavior. Officers worked quickly to de-escalate the situation but were ultimately forced to physically restrain Gallagher to ensure the safety of the public.

Once taken into custody, officers discovered that Gallagher was in possession of a loaded pistol. During the investigation, he expressed that he intended to shoot someone he believed had stolen his keys. Officers determined no person present had any knowledge of what he was talking about.

Gallagher was arrested and charged with illegal carrying of a firearm and violating the city ordinance prohibiting firearms in a city park.

The Shreveport Police Department commends the concerned citizens who promptly reported the situation and the officers who acted swiftly to prevent potential violence.