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Suspect Arrested Following Vehicle Pursuit



Derek Lockhart

Shreveport Police have arrested a man following a vehicle pursuit that began after officers located a stolen vehicle.

SPD Officers say Derek Lockhart reportedly stole a 2025 Volkswagen Jetta from a local rental company. On October 20, 2025, SPD officers spotted the vehicle near the intersection of Hollywood Avenue and Hearne Avenue. When officers attempted to stop the vehicle, Lockhart fled, leading to a brief pursuit.

The pursuit ended when the suspect's vehicle crashed underneath Interstate 49 along Hollywood Avenue, striking another vehicle in the process. Thankfully, the occupants of the other vehicle were not injured, though their vehicle sustained significant rear axle damage.

Lockhart was taken into custody after a brief struggle with officers. He was transported to Ochsner LSU Health with non-life-threatening injuries.

Lockhart faces multiple charges, including:

- Two counts of Battery of a Police Officer
- One count of Resisting an Officer with Force or Violence
- Theft of a Motor Vehicle
- Aggravated Obstruction of a Highway
- Driving Without a License

The Shreveport Police Department would like to thank the officers involved for their quick actions and professionalism in safely bringing the situation to an end.