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## Arrest Made in Merwin Street Shooting



**Rakeen Russell**

On February 13, 2026, officers with the Shreveport Police Department Patrol Division responded to a reported shooting in the 3700 block of Merwin Street.

Upon arrival, officers located an adult male suffering from a single gunshot wound to the abdomen. The Shreveport Fire Department immediately began life-saving measures at the scene before the victim was transported to Ochsner Health Hospital with injuries initially considered life-threatening. At this time, the victim remains in serious condition but is expected to survive.

Over the following days, detectives with the Shreveport Police Department's Violent Crimes Unit conducted an extensive investigation and identified a suspect in the case. Today, Rakeen Russell was formally arrested for with one count of Attempted Second-Degree Murder. He was taken into custody and transported to the Shreveport City Jail without incident.