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Eight injured following overnight shooting

Eight people remain hospitalized Sunday morning following an overnight shooting in west Shreveport.

Just after 2:30 a.m. on July 5, 2015, Shreveport Police patrol officers were dispatched to a report of a shooting in the 3500 block of Hearne Avenue. As officers were responding to the scene, contact was made with one of the shooting victims, who was located on the parking lot of a service station in the 3700 block of Hearne Avenue. That victim, identified as 19 year old Nicholas Jiles, was suffering an apparent gunshot wound to the leg along with a grazing wound to the back. Jiles was taken via ambulance to University Health for treatment and is expected to recover. It was soon discovered on officers arrival at the scene, that the remaining seven victims, including a 16 year old girl, had been taken by private vehicles to Willis-Knighton Medical Center (north location) and University Health. A subsequent assessment of the victim's conditions indicated a variety of injuries ranging from minor to potentially life threatening.

Shreveport Police Violent Crimes detectives and Crime Scene investigators were notified of the incident and responded to the scene. Information gathered during the preliminary stages of the investigation suggests two groups of individuals were loitering on adjacent parking lots at the intersection of Hearne Avenue at Kings Highway. At some point during the gathering, a subsequent exchange of gunfire between the groups erupted, resulting in multiple victims being shot. At the current stage of the investigation, it is unclear the extent of involvement the shooting victims had in connection with the incident or what exact factors led to the melee; however authorities are working feverishly to gather additional insight into the matter. Investigators recovered a hand gun, along with dozens of spent shell casings during their probe of the incident. A vehicle and a businesses were among property damaged as a result of the gunfire. No suspects have been arrested in the incident which remains underway. Persons with any information about this crime are urged to contact Crime Stoppers at (9318) 673-7373.

The following are a list of those victims who were injured in the incident:

Nicholas Jiles, 19
Mary Davis, (age not available)
Shontae Armstrong (age not available)
Oshaye Collins, 21

Tramarceia Ruffins, 22
Trevonte Carter, (age not available)
Gerod Ward, 18
Juvenile female (16)

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