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Suspect shot in attempted robbery

Suspect: LaRaylon Cawthorne

Shreveport Police detectives have charged a local man in connection with an attempted armed robbery which ended with him being shot.

Just after 1:00 a.m. on July 1, 2016, Shreveport Police patrol officers were called to Christus Schumpert Highland hospital relative to a man who arrived in facility's emergency room suffering a single gunshot wound to the arm. The man, identified as 18 year old LaRaylon Cawthorne, of the 3200 block of Fulton Street, was ultimately transported to University Health hospital with what was described as non life-threatening injuries.

As officers began their investigation into the shooting of Cawthorne, it was learned that moments earlier, a male and female victim reported to authorities that they had been shot at while sitting inside a car located at a business in the 8600 block of Fern Avenue. According to the pair, they were accosted by four men, armed with handguns. As the male passenger observed the suspects point weapons at him, he reportedly fired his own weapon, striking Cawthorne once in the arm. Cawthorne fled to the nearby emergency room on foot, while the remaining suspects fled the scene of the crime on foot. It is believed the suspects fired multiple rounds at the victims while fleeing. Detectives have since charged Cawthorne with a single count of attempted armed robbery. The remaining suspects are still being sought at this hour. Persons with any information about this crime are urged to contact Crime Stoppers at (318) 673-7373 or visit their website at www.lockemup.org.

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