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Youth recovering from gunshot wound

A Shreveport youth is recovering after an accidental shooting left the child suffering injuries Tuesday evening.

Shortly before 8:00 p.m. on February 7, 2017, Shreveport Police patrol officers responded to a home in the 5500 block of Trevor Drive relative to reports of a shooting. Upon arrival, officers discovered a juvenile victim had been transported via private auto to Willis-Knighton Medical Center in the 2500 block of West Bert Kouns Industrial Loop after receiving a gunshot wound to the left leg. The child was subsequently transported to University Health by the Shreveport Fire Department with what was described as a non-life-threatening wound.

Based on information and evidence gathered at the scene, detective supervisors believe a toddler living in the home of off-duty Shreveport Police Corporal Latoyia Marsden gained access to her concealed department-issued service weapon and accidentally discharged the handgun, striking the other child in the leg. The investigation is ongoing at this hour. Corporal Marsden, who was hired by the department in February of 2009, has been placed on paid departmental leave pursuant to police department policy.

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