

# UPDATE: Crime scenes cleared, details remain sketchy



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(Photo: SPD)

**UPDATE: 5:30** Details regarding reports of multiple shootings Friday afternoon in Shreveport remain sketchy. Events began shortly after 2 p.m. with the report of a shooting near the intersection of Youree Drive and East Dalzell. Shortly after, at 2:15 p.m., another shooting was reported on Interstate 49 near the Kings Highway entrance. Only minutes later, a third shooting was reported at Ockley Drive and St. Vincent Avenue.

Whether the incidents are connected remains unknown.

A large section of the right shoulder of I-49, between Kings Highway and Hollywood Avenue was blocked with multiple emergency crews. Several cars were along the shoulder, one of them appeared to have crashed into

the concrete barrier. DOTD and at least 16 units police units - both marked and unmarked - worked the incident at one time. Traffic moved slowly and backed up well beyond the Kings Highway entrance.

Crime scene tape blocked an area below the I-49 overpass at the intersection of Ockley and St. Vincent. Traffic was diverted from the area, but it was quickly cleared.

At the E. Dalzell and Youree Drive location, the scene appeared to be cleared by 4:30 p.m.

Exactly what transpired at each of the scenes and whether any of the reported incidents were connected is unknown.

A Shreveport man, Kerry Cox, contacted The Times late Friday afternoon to report that he had been entering I-49 at approximately 2:11 p.m. Friday afternoon and saw what appeared to be at least two cars that may have been in an accident. They were along the right shoulder and at least three other cars appeared to have stopped to help. Cox told The Times that he thought he saw people arguing. Whether this is tied to the report of a shooting at that location is unknown.

Updates will continue as more information becomes available.

**UPDATE: 4:21** Police have designated an area of I-49 near Kings Highway as a crime scene. It appears that at least one car was involved in a reported shooting at that location. The car is resting against the interstate guard rail. Directly below that location, underneath the interstate, on Ockley Drive near Southern Avenue there is another area designated as a crime scene. Traffic is congested near the scene.

**UPDATE: 3:23** The I-49 shooting appears to be on the side of the interstate. Witnesses say that at least one of the cars that was reportedly involved in the shooting hit a guard rail. There are 20-30 police and fire units on the scene, along with DOTD.

**UPDATE: 3:19** Traffic is backed up on I-49 South because of a reported shooting on the interstate near the Kings Highway entrance. Traffic should seek an alternate route.

**UPDATE: 3:12** Shreveport Police are on the scene of multiple shootings that reportedly happened within minutes of each other. It is unknown if they are related.

At least 13 units are currently on the scene of a reported shooting near the intersection of Interstate 49 and Kings Highway.

Police responded to the report of the shooting at 2:15 Friday afternoon.

More information will be provided as it becomes available.

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