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Suspect charged in non-fatal shooting of acquaintance in Columbia

Detectives believe dispute may have been drug-related

Howard County police have arrested a suspect following a non-fatal shooting in Columbia last night. The victim, an acquaintance of the suspect, was treated and released from the hospital.

Dre'onna De'shazo, 19, of Trotting Ridge Way in Columbia, has been charged with attempted murder, first-degree assault, use of a firearm in a felony, reckless endangerment, drug possession with intent to distribute and related charges.

At approximately 10:18 p.m., officers were called to the 11300 block of Little Patuxent Parkway for a report of gunfire. The victim, Tiyone Bailey, 18, of Cordage Walk in Columbia, was located a short distance away in the 10600 block of High Beam Court.

Bailey was transported to the University of Maryland Shock Trauma Center with a gunshot wound to the shoulder. He has since been released.

Through investigation, patrol officers identified De'shazo as a suspect and located her walking in the 10800 block of Hickory Ridge Road. At the time of her arrest, she was in possession of a handgun and suspected crack cocaine.

Detectives believe that the suspect and the victim, who know each other, were involved in a drug-related dispute inside a vehicle just prior to the shooting. The investigation is ongoing.

De'shazo is being held without bond at the Howard County Detention Center.

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