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SUFFOLK, VA (September 26, 2010) A Suffolk man was charged with six felonies after shooting two people early this morning. Jimmie L. Belcher, age 49, of the 200 blk. of Duke St. has been charged with two counts of malicious wounding, two counts of use of a firearm in the commission of a felony and two counts of shoot, cut stab or wound.

Police were called just before 1 a.m. to the 300 blk. of Ben St. to the report of a shooting. Upon arrival they found one subject suffering from a gunshot wound to the chest. He was transported via Nightingale to Sentara Norfolk Hospital. A second shooting victim responded to Police Headquarters with a gunshot wound to the arm. This subject was transported to Sentara Obici Hospital for treatment.

Meanwhile, Belcher approached officers on Mt. Horeb St. and advised that he was visiting a friend on Ben St. when he was grabbed by two subjects and he fired several rounds with his revolver. Belcher advised that he did not know either of the subjects. Investigation has revealed that this was possibly a dispute over money that was allegedly owed.

The victim that was transported to Sentara Norfolk Hospital remains in serious condition this afternoon.

Belcher is being held at Western Tidewater Regional Jail without bond. Detective David Burke is the lead investigator.