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Man severely beaten with baseball bat during altercation

MANSFIELD – Mansfield Police officers responded to a report of a man lying in the middle of Pegues Street early Saturday morning, witnesses' say he was beaten with a baseball bat.

Police say Patrick DeWitt, of Mansfield, was found beaten and bleeding profusely when they arrived on the scene. Witnesses indicated that the suspect, Dale Sanders, and DeWitt, had been involved in an altercation. Dewitt was transported by DeSoto EMS to DeSoto Regional Health System and later airlifted to the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center in Shreveport.

Sanders was arrested and charged with aggravated second-degree battery, an assault committed with a dangerous weapon. Sanders was booked into the DeSoto Parish Detention Center. Officers are unsure of Dewitt's condition at this time.

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