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Homeowner Fires Shots at Robbers

A southeast Shelby County homeowner fired shots at two men who robbed him this morning.

Matthew Ray, 38, who lives in the 7500 block of Lowrance, told Sheriff's detectives the robbers walked into his open garage just before 6 a.m. as he worked on his vehicle.

The suspects, both black men in their twenties, took Ray's wallet. The robbers then demanded more cash and forced Ray into his house. Ray said he felt, what appeared to be, the barrel of a pistol shoved into his back.

Ray told the men more cash was in a closet. Instead of reaching for money, Ray grabbed his pistol and fired at the suspects.

Detectives don't know if bullets hit the men as they ran from the house. No getaway vehicle was seen.

Anyone with information should call Crime Stoppers at **(901) 528-CASH (2477)** or Sheriff's detectives at **(901) 545-5600**.

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