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Delivery Leads To Discovery

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Charleston, SC - A routine paper delivery on Nunan Street turned into the most shocking moment of this young man's life. 22 year Herbert Summers was finishing his morning route around 5:30 when he noticed an open car door and a man just outside, propped up against a tree.

"My first thought was maybe he's intoxicated, I didn't think he was possibly dead."

Summers' tried to startle the man now identified as Damon Washington but he didn't move.

"I looked again and saw the red stain by his chest, so then I knew it had to be a gunshot or a stabbing."

About 10 minutes before Summers' discovered the body, a shot spotter went off on Rutledge Avenue about a block away. The shots may give investigators more clues as to where and when the shooting occurred, but police haven't determined if the two incidents are related.

"It bothered me to see him there, being that he kind of looked my age. So when I look at somebody like that, I say wow, that could be me right there."

A memory that will shadow him for some time, but one that won't keep him from continuing his job.

"I'm not perfect, but I try and do things different. I don't want to be a victim like that so I try and do things positive."

A path that may keep him from ever facing another crime scene again.

Washington was scheduled to go before a judge Thursday on narcotics charges. Police say he was shot at least once, they are searching for suspects, if you have any information please call Crimestoppers at 554-1111.

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