



# VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

May 15, 2020

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from May 8, 2020 – May 14, 2020. Readers are reminded that an “arrest” is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post-arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court’s website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents, which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information at [Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov](mailto:Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov))

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## **INCIDENTS**

**Grand Larceny 20-3951**

**Vienna Baptist Church  
541 Marshall Road, SW**

**Between October 8, 2019, at 8:00 a.m. and October 20, 2019, at 8:00 a.m.**

An employee reported that an unknown person took a charitable check that was given to the Church.

**Fraud 20-003877**

**500 Block John Marshall Drive, NE**

**Between February 1 at 12:00 p.m. and May 10 at 9:06 p.m.**

A resident reported that an unknown person used his personal information to open several bank accounts.

**Police Service 20-003822**

**Suntrust Bank**

**515 Maple Avenue, East**

**May 8 1:45 p.m.**

A maintenance worker expressed concern to the bank’s security company about a man sitting in a vehicle in the rear parking lot. An officer spoke to the branch manager of the bank who advised they know the man and he has permission to be on the property.

**Assault 20-003824**  
**Beirut Butchery & Café**  
**407 Maple Avenue, West**  
**May 8 3:00 p.m.**

An employee reported that she was assaulted by a co-worker. The employee was advised of the warrant process if she decides to pursue charges.

**Petit Larceny 20-003823**  
**7-11**  
**427 Maple Avenue, East**  
**May 8 3:31 p.m.**

An employee reported that a man left the store without paying for a cup of ice. When an employee confronted the man, he returned to the store and paid for the ice. The man then took another cup of ice and fled the area in a vehicle. An officer contacted the owner of the vehicle. The owner came to the store and made restitution for her son's actions.

**Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated / Accident 20-003826**  
**Cottage Street near Cedar Lane, SW**  
**May 8 6:01 p.m.**

Vehicle-2 was southbound on Cottage Street at the traffic light for Cedar Lane. Vehicle-1 turned from Cedar Lane onto Cottage and side-swiped Vehicle-2. Upon the officers' interaction with Driver-1, they detected signs of impairment. Driver-1 failed to complete a series of field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest.

Ofc. Colligan transported the 45-year-old man from Muskogee Street in Adelphi, Maryland to the Vienna Police Station, where he failed to provide a sample of his breath for analysis. The man was then transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Driving While Intoxicated, Refusal, and No Operator's License.

**Found Property 20-003854**  
**500 Block Niblick Drive, SE**  
**Between May 9 at 11:00 p.m. and May 10 at 7:30 a.m.**

A resident reported a bicycle was left abandoned in his yard. The owner was later located and the bicycle returned to them.

**Assist EMS 20-003853**  
**200 Block Cedar Lane, SE**  
**May 9 11:21 p.m.**

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with a resident who had taken too much medication. The resident was transported to an area hospital in non-life-threatening condition.

**Business Alarm 20-003857**  
**307 Maple Avenue, West**  
**May 10 9:17 a.m.**

Officers responding to an alarm found an unlocked door to the business. The office was checked and nothing appeared to have been disturbed.

**Arrest – Stolen Vehicle and Domestic Assault 20-003864 and 20-003867**

**Wolftrap Hotel**

**430 Maple Avenue, West**

**May 10 between 10:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.**

A woman reported that she and her boyfriend were involved in an argument that escalated when he physically assaulted her. Her boyfriend then took her car without her permission and left the area. PFC Post obtained two warrants for the man, charging Felony Vehicle Theft and Misdemeanor Domestic Assault. An Emergency Protective Order was also issued against him.

On May 11, Prince William County Police located the vehicle, arrested the man and served the warrants on him.

**Suspicious Event 20-003869**

**100 Block Sharon Lane, NW**

**May 10 2:36 p.m.**

A resident advised that some of the neighborhood children were playing outside when she observed a man in a white work truck drive down the street and stop to ask questions. She believed the man's actions were suspicious. Officers checked the area but were unable to locate the truck.

**Narcotics Violation 20-003870**

**Church Street and Lawyers Road, NW**

**May 10 2:49 p.m.**

An officer observed a vehicle with defective equipment and initiated a traffic stop. During his interaction with the driver, the officer detected an odor of marijuana. A few flakes of marijuana were observed, but the driver did not have a measurable amount of the drug.

**Missing Juvenile 20-003871**

**W&OD Bike Trail near Branch Road, SE**

**May 10 3:25 p.m.**

A citizen reported her juvenile son, who has disabilities, was missing. The citizen was walking on the bike trail while her son was riding his scooter ahead of her. The juvenile rode out of her line of sight and she was unable to locate him. After multiple agencies joined in searching for the juvenile, he was located on the bike trail by Falls Church Police in their jurisdiction.

**Assist EMS 20-003890**

**200 Block Aubreys Court, SE**

**May 11 5:17 a.m.**

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with an intoxicated man who fell and injured himself. Rescue transported the man to an area hospital for treatment.

**Juvenile Case 20-003904**

**500 Block Kingsley Road, SW**

**Between May 11 at 6:30 p.m. and May 12 at 1:00 a.m.**

A resident reported that their teenage juvenile daughter left the house and had not returned home. Officers located the juvenile at the home of one of her friends. MPO Borja transported the juvenile back to her home.

**Domestic Dispute 20-003914**

**Glyndon Lane, SE**

**May 12 8:45 p.m.**

Officers responded to the report of a domestic dispute between the resident and his wife.

**Lost Property 20-003940**

**Whole Foods**

**143 Maple Avenue, East**

**May 13 between 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.**

An employee lost his wallet in the store.

**Animal Case 20-003933**

**200 Block Battle Street, SW**

**May 13 2:00 p.m.**

A resident reported a sick raccoon was in his yard. ACO Barker determined the raccoon was in grave condition and euthanized the animal.

**Vandalism 20-003941**

**200 Block Locust Street, SE**

**May 13 10:34 p.m.**

A resident reported that someone broke one of the windows in their apartment.

**Illegal Dumping 20-003949**

**Vienna Arsenal**

**386 Maple Avenue, East**

**Between May 13 at 11:00 p.m. and May 14 at 12:30 a.m.**

Someone illegally dumped a large amount of flooring into a dumpster. An employee reported that illegal dumping has been an on-going issue.

**Domestic Dispute 20-003943**

**Glyndon Lane, SE**

**May 13 11:21 p.m.**

Officers responded to a verbal dispute between husband and wife.

**Suspicious Event 20-003950**

**300 Block Center Street, North**

**May 14 9:00 a.m.**

An unknown person sent a resident an email, making threats to release videos of him unless he sent money in Bitcoin.

**Suspicious Event 20-003959**

**200 Block Locust Street, SE**

**May 14 9:22 p.m.**

A resident found a piece of glass in her sandwich that she believed may have been intentionally placed there by a roommate.

**Juvenile Case 20-003960**

**500 Block Kingsley Road, SW**

**May 14 9:59 p.m.**

A resident reported that their teenage juvenile daughter left home and they were unable to locate her. Officers searched the area for several hours with the assistance of the Fairfax County Police Helicopter Unit. The daughter was found at approximately 5:30 a.m, at a friend's home. Petitions are pending in this case for the juvenile.

## **CRASHES**

**500 Block Maple Avenue, West 20-003952**

**May 14 12:50 p.m.**

Vehicle-2 was traveling in the left eastbound lane of Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 was southbound on James Madison Drive, attempting to cross Maple Avenue into the parking lot of 544 Maple Avenue, West when he collided with Vehicle-2.

## **CASE UPDATES**

None.

Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information on any of these cases at [Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov](mailto:Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov) or 703-255-6324.

# **MEDIA RELEASES**



## **Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release**

### **Operations Modifications in Response to COVID-19**

March 18, 2020

In the interest of public safety for our residents, businesses, and visitors, the Vienna Police Department has modified its operations to increase social distancing and reduce the chance of spreading the COVID-19 virus.

This modified operation entails taking certain police reports for relatively minor and non-violent crimes by telephone. These will be cases where there is no need for evidence collection, not a crime in progress, but the incident still needs to be documented.

If you are calling to file a police report, Communications personnel will ask you questions to help determine if your call meets the criteria for a telephone follow-up and if so, you may be advised that an officer will call you back to assess the need to respond in person or complete the report via telephone. If you feel that an officer is required, you may make that request, and an officer will respond. The incident report over the telephone will go into the same records management system and will be tracked the same as if an officer responded.

If a police officer responds to your location, please be prepared to step outside to meet the officer to encourage social distancing and avoid the spread of the virus.

By using telephone reporting, you will help us limit exposure. We thank you for your understanding and support as we continue to maintain our mission of providing a safe community for all of our citizens, businesses, and visitors.

Out of an abundance of caution, we have also suspended some low priority services, which include: Ride-Along, PIO public engagements, VIN verifications, and child safety seats installations. Access to our police lobby will be restricted to immediate police assistance only. We do encourage our citizens to call the police department with questions at 703-255-6366 instead of visiting our lobby.

The Vienna Police Department continues to remain staffed, operational, and ready to respond to all emergencies, in-progress incidents, and priority calls. Day and night patrols remain at full strength, so you should not hesitate to call for assistance.

The process of handling some calls for service over the phone and limiting other services is temporary and will be continually reevaluated in the coming weeks.

Thank You,  
Chief Jim Morris



## **Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release**

### **Reminder**

### **Prevention of Stolen Vehicles/Vehicle Tamperings**

With the advent of warmer weather, the Town of Vienna Police Department would like to remind all Town of Vienna residents to secure their vehicles and personal belongings. Recently there have been several vehicle tamperings to include stolen vehicles from Vienna and the neighboring jurisdictions.

The Vienna Police Department would like to remind citizens of the following steps to assist in the prevention of your vehicle being tampered with or stolen:

#### **Lock your Car Doors.**

The majority of the vehicles being entered and/or stolen have been unlocked.

#### **Remove all Valuables.**

In most cases, the subjects responsible for these acts have been targeting vehicles which contain valuables such as, but not limited to, laptop computers, GPS's, pocketbooks/purses, loose change, cameras, etc. If you must leave valuables in your vehicle, please be sure to conceal the items, in the trunk, under the seats or use any other means to make them undetectable. Also, make sure to record all serial numbers, and if possible, engrave them or permanently mark the items with easily identifiable markings, in the event the items are recovered.

#### **Remove all Keys.**

The subjects who commit these crimes are aware that most new vehicles come with valet keys. Most of these keys are kept inside the vehicles, either in the center consoles, or the glove compartments or other areas easily accessible. In some instances the owners have left their keys rings containing their house keys, providing access to their homes.

#### **Report Suspicious Activity**

In some cases, the subjects have been observed wearing several layers of clothing, not consistent with the weather conditions. This is used to conceal stolen items and also to make identification difficult as they will shed layers of clothing as they flee the area when they suspect they have been observed committing a crime.

The Town of Vienna Police Department is dedicated to the safety and protection of all persons and property in the Town of Vienna. However, much of our success comes from the assistance of its concerned and observant residents.

**\*\*A reminder to secure your vehicles and remove all valuables! \*\*  
Even if your vehicle is parked in your driveway, please secure all windows and doors and remove all valuables.**



## **CITIZEN NOTES**

### **Vienna Police Department Construction Project Updates**

Updates about the police department construction project will be posted regularly to the “Police Department Renovation” page, located under the Police Department section, at [viennava.gov](http://viennava.gov), or follow the below link.

\*\* As we move forward with designing and ultimately constructing a new facility, Chief Morris is committed to keeping the Vienna community informed and involved in the process. To begin that effort a link has been established on the police department page of the Town of Vienna website (<https://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=1225>), and we will be providing regular updates about the process in these Highlights.

**Citizens are reminded to PLEASE call and report suspicious activity. Even if you choose not to provide your name or other personal information, we still need your help as extra eyes and ears in the community.**

**See or Hear Something? Say Something!  
We WANT to be Bothered! Call 9-1-1.**