



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

April 9, 2021

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from April 2, 2021 – April 9, 2021. 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)

****In the last few weeks, the Town of Vienna Police Department responded to multiple cases of vehicle tamperings and stolen vehicles. In almost every case, the vehicle was left unlocked and/or keys left inside. The criminals responsible for these thefts target unlocked vehicles to steal valuables, money, electronics, etc., and all it takes is them pulling on the door handle of an unlocked car. They rarely break into a locked vehicle. Vienna police officers proactively patrol all areas of the town to protect its citizens and their property and would like your assistance in curbing this crime of opportunity by removing all valuables from your vehicles, removing all keys (to include valet keys), and report suspicious activity immediately by calling 703-255-6366 or 911.****

The Vienna Police Department would like to warn citizens that mail has been stolen from the US Post Office collection boxes at the corner of Church St NW and Lawyers Rd NW after being broken into several times this year. The most recent incident occurred overnight from November 22nd to November 23rd. If you used these mailboxes during that time, please ensure that any checks, banknotes, or other important mail reached its intended destination. Mail theft or tampering is investigated by the US Postal Inspection Service and may be reported via their website at <https://www.uspis.gov/report/>. The Vienna Police department cooperates fully with their investigations and forwards all mail theft reports to the Postal Inspection Service. If you see suspicious activity at the mail collection boxes, contact the Vienna Police Department for an immediate response.

To avoid theft, citizens are advised to use the collection mailboxes inside the post office.

INCIDENTS

Fraud 21-001742

700 Block Cottage Street, SW

Between December 28, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. and April 1, 2021 at 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported that his ex-wife used his personal information to open a utility account in his name. The resident was not residing in the town when the fraud occurred. He was advised to report the incident to the proper police jurisdiction in Texas.

Burglary 21-001774

200 Block Park Street, SE

Between March 15 at 11:00 p.m. and March 16 at 2:00 a.m.

An officer located the owner of the property that was recovered in a previous case. The owner returned home from being out of town to find that someone forced entry into his residence. This case is being investigated. (Reference March 19, 2021 Highlights Incident numbers 21-001387, 21-001393, 21-001395, and 21-001407).

Vandalism 21-001781

300 Block Park Street, NE

Between March 28 at 12:00 p.m. and March 30 at 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported that someone vandalized his vehicle. This is being investigated.

Lost Property 21-001864

100 Block Church Street, NE

March 28 12:00 p.m.

A citizen reported that he lost his wallet in the area of the Freeman House Store.

Stolen Vehicle 21-001837

100 Block Elm Street, SW

Between March 30 at 12:00 p.m. and April 5 at 9:00 p.m.

A resident reported that her vehicle was taken while she was out of town.

Animal Case 21-001855

1000 Block Hillcrest Drive, SW

March 31 10:53 a.m.

ACO Barker received a couple of complaints regarding a resident running with her dogs without having them on a leash. The dogs' owner was advised of the Town ordinance and that they may be issued a summons for the violation if they do not comply.

Narcotics Violation 21-001747

400 Block Echols Street, SE

April 1 8:29 p.m.

An officer observed a driver commit a traffic offense and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, he detected an odor of marijuana. The driver had a small amount of marijuana in her possession that was taken for destruction.

Suspicious Event 21-001764

1000 Block Westbriar Drive, NE

April 2 9:14 a.m.

A resident reported that he observed a man riding a bike carrying multiple Amazon packages. The resident followed the man into Fairfax County in the area of Old Courthouse Road. He advised the man discarded the packages, but was not sure where. Fairfax County Police were also notified.

Welfare Check 21-001766

200 Block Park Terrace Court, SE

April 2 11:43 a.m.

Officers checked on the welfare of a resident who sent a concerning message to her family. The resident was located with her occupational therapist. She advised that she is recovering from some medical issues, and did not need any assistance.

Animal Case 21-001768

1200 Block Drake Street, SW

April 2 1:10 p.m.

An officer responded to a report of an injured raccoon. The officer found the animal was in grave condition and euthanized the raccoon.

Police Service 21-001772

200 Block Park Terrace Court, SE

April 2 5:52 p.m.

A resident reported that his neighbor is piling up bags of trash, containing human waste, in the apartment hallway. The resident was advised to contact the condo association regarding the violation of their bylaws and his attorney about the living conditions. The officer notified Mobil Crisis of the incident and requested they follow up with the neighbor to check on her well-being.

Suspicious Event 21-001805

Wawa

465 Maple Avenue, West

April 4 10:32 p.m.

An officer responded to a dispute between customers and an employee.

Natural Death 21-001808

100 Block Dogwood Street, SW

April 5 6:05 a.m.

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with a resident who suffered from medical issues and was found deceased in her bedroom.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 21-001820

200 Block Park Terrace Court, SE

April 5 5:30 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of an emotionally disturbed resident who left several bags of human waste at her neighbor's door. The resident was also observed throwing household objects off her balcony. The Fairfax County Hazardous Material's Unit responded to check for possible hazardous material in the discarded bags and did not detect any flammable or explosive material in the debris. An Emergency Custody Order was issued for the resident. However, she refused to open her door for officers to serve the order.

Assist EMS 21-001821

100 Patrick Street, SE

April 5 7:23 p.m.

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with a man who was highly intoxicated in his apartment. The man was transported to an area hospital for treatment.

Arrest – Domestic Assault 21-001828

Wilmar Place, NW

April 6 2:44 a.m.

Officers responded to the report of a domestic assault between husband and wife. An argument between the two parties escalated, becoming physical. Rescue personnel responded and transported the woman to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

MPO Borja arrested the husband, a 55-year-old man from Wilmar Drive, NW in Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Domestic Assault and an Emergency Protective Order was issued.

Arrest - Emotionally Disturbed Person 21-001835

200 Block Park Terrace Court, SE

April 6 11:40 a.m.

Mental Health personnel requested officers attempt to locate a resident and serve an Emergency Custody Order. Officers located the resident at the Chipotle Restaurant, 213 Maple Avenue, East.

PFC Herrera arrested the 69-year-old woman from Park Terrace Court, SE, Vienna. She was transported to a mental health facility where their staff took custody of her and held her for evaluation and treatment. Sgt. Kiley also served a warrant on her charging Illegal Dumping from another incident. (*Reference March 19, 2021 Highlights Incident #21-001416*).

Police Service 21-001848

Navy Federal Credit Union

820 Follin Lane, SE

April 6 6:30 p.m.

A security guard found suspected narcotics and turned them in for destruction.

Assault 21-001849

Vienna Dog Park

700 Courthouse Road, SW

April 7 5:41 p.m.

A woman's dog began attacking another dog at the dog park. The owner of the second dog pulled the attacking dog off of his and kicked it. The incident then escalated with the two parties physically assaulting the other.

Both parties were advised of the warrant process should they wish to pursue assault charges against each other.

Assist EMS 21-001851

Vienna Community Center

120 Cherry Street, SE

April 7 8:27 p.m.

A resident requested rescue personnel respond to transport him to detox.

Vehicle Tampering 21-001857

200 Block Locust Street, SW

Between April 7 at 9:00 p.m. and April 8 at 9:00 a.m.

A resident reported that someone rummaged through his unlocked vehicle and stole a toolbox.

Suspicious Event 21-001853
1200 Block Cottage Street, SW
April 7 9:58 p.m.

A resident reported that a man and woman were in the backyard of a vacant home who appeared to be arguing and breaking things. When officers arrived, they observed a man inside the home who came out to speak to them. The man reported that their landlord had cut off the water and gas and boarded up the home so that he and his wife could not get in. He advised that he broke the rear sliding glass door so he could get his possessions. The landlord was notified and she advised the couple moved out in March and were not permitted to be at the property. Officers also found drug paraphernalia in the house. The man was placed under arrest and transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. The magistrate denied issuing a warrant charging burglary for the man because the tenants had not been served with an official eviction notice through the Sheriff's Department to vacate the house.

Arrest – Warrant Service 21-001858
200 Block Cedar Lane, SE
April 8 11:04 a.m.

Fairfax County Police requested assistance in serving warrants on a man.

MPO Tremont arrested the 53-year-old man from Cedar Lane, SE, Vienna at the rear of the Cedar Lane Shopping Center. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the two warrants charging Sexual Assault on a Minor were served on him.

Animal Case 21-001859
400 Block Blair Road, NW
April 8 11:44 a.m.

ACO Barker responded to the report of a sick raccoon. He found the animal in grave condition and euthanized the raccoon.

CRASHES

100 Block Maple Avenue, East 21-001739

April 1 2:05 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound in the same lane of traffic on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2

400 Block Maple Avenue, East 21-001770

April 2 3:15 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling eastbound on Maple Avenue, attempting to turn left into a parking lot at 418 Maple Avenue, East. Two vehicles were traveling westbound on Maple. The vehicle in the left lane stopped to allow Vehicle-1 to pass through. Vehicle-2 was traveling in the right lane and was struck by Vehicle-1.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

Church Street and Glyndon Street, NE 21-001782

April 3 2:58 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was stopped on northbound Glyndon Street at the intersection of Church Street. Vehicle-2 was already in the intersection, traveling eastbound on Church Street when Vehicle-1 struck Vehicle-2. Vehicle-1 pushed Vehicle-2 into Vehicle-3, which was traveling westbound on Church Street. Vehicle-1 then ran off the road, striking two signs and a tree.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

100 Block Maple Avenue, East 21-001823

April 5 9:21 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound on Maple Avenue, turning left into a parking lot at 133 Maple Avenue, East. Vehicle-2 was traveling eastbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 struck Vehicle-2.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

Beulah Road and Sherwood Drive, NE 21-001838

April 6 9:46 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling northbound on Beulah Road, stopped at the intersection of Sherwood Drive due to wildlife crossing the road. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

CASE UPDATES

None

Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information on any of these cases at Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov or 703-255-6324.

CITIZEN NOTES



HARD HAT CORNER

Week of April 12, 2021

- Continue installing wood lagging to tie-back bench
- Start installing tie-backs
- Start Grouting tie-backs
- Continue excavation and backfill

Week of April 19, 2021

- Continue grouting tie-backs
- Start testing tie-backs
- Continue with excavation and backfill to subgrade

**** As we move forward with the new facility's construction, Chief Morris is committed to keeping the Vienna community informed and involved in the process. A link has also been established on the Town of Vienna website (<https://vienna.prod.govaccess.org/your-government/town-departments-at-your-service/police/police-station-construction/-fsiteid-1>) for your information.**



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

Vienna Police Department to Participate in the DEA Prescription Drug Take Back Initiative

Saturday, April 24, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

In conjunction with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and state and local law enforcement agencies, the Vienna Police Department will again participate in a one-day initiative to remove potentially dangerous controlled substances from area homes.

On April 24, 2021, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., the Vienna Police Department will have a collection site for old, expired, unused, or unwanted medications. Prescription medications, controlled or non-controlled substances, and over the counter drugs may be turned in anonymously at the collection point inside the Vienna Police Department temporary facility located at 301 Center Street, South, Vienna, Virginia 22180 (The former Faith Baptist Church).

Participants may dispose of medication in its original container or by removing it and disposing of it directly into the collection box. If an original container is used, the individual should consider removing any identifying information from the prescription label. Liquid products should remain sealed in their original container to prevent leakage.

DEA will collect vape pens or other e-cigarette devices from individual consumers **only** after the batteries are removed from the devices. It is important to stress that the DEA is not responsible for removing the batteries from the devices.

Intravenous solutions, injectables, and syringes will not be accepted due to associated hazards.

Commercial businesses, pharmacies, or other medical facilities may not use this as a means to discard expired medications or medical waste.

For DEA Authorized Collectors that provide year-round drop-off locations to the public to dispose of unwanted pharmaceuticals, go to [Controlled Substance Public Disposal Locations](#).

**For further information, please contact:
MPO Juan Vazquez - Town of Vienna Police Department
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On December 10, 2020, Governor Northam issued Executive Order #72, which incorporates earlier Executive Orders Sixty-Three Sixty-Seven that will take effect on Monday, December 14, 2020, at 12:01 a.m. This amended order remains in effect until rescinded or amended by further executive order. Questions, concerns, and complaints of this order's violations should be directed to the VA Department of Health at 1-877-275-8343.

For more information about COVID-19, navigate to <https://www.virginia.gov/coronavirus-updates/>
The full text of Executive Order Seventy-Two is available [here](#)



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release Operations Modifications in

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. There 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 that 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.**



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.**