



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

October 6, 2023

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from September 29, 2023 to October 5, 2023. Readers are reminded an “arrest” is based upon probable cause and does not always mean someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean 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)

On July 1, 2021, citizens will be able to access Community Policing data via <https://data.virginia.gov/stories/s/rden-cz3h>. The Vienna Police Department had started complying with this state law in July of 2020. The portal will contain all non-consensual investigatory stops made by the Vienna Police Departments and other law enforcement agencies in the commonwealth.

UPDATE – Car Thefts and Tamperings

The National Capital Area, specifically the Northern Virginia area, has seen increased vehicle tampering incidents and vehicle thefts. A recent pattern has been identified where suspects enter the area in stolen vehicles and cruise streets between 3:00 AM and 7:00 AM. In addition to rifling through unlocked cars for valuables and money, they steal the vehicle when they encounter keys left in it. The Vienna Police Department would like to remind our community members to please stay vigilant, secure their cars and take the keys inside, and close and lock all doors of residences and garages to prevent criminals from targeting your property. Additionally, please call the police if you notice suspicious vehicles or people in your area, and share Ring doorbell or other security camera footage with us if you capture video related to these incidents. The Vienna Police Department is working closely with other Law Enforcement agencies in the region, coordinating our resources to investigate these crimes.

If you see suspicious activity or persons, we ask you to immediately notify the police department at 703-255-6366 or, in case of emergency call 911.

INCIDENTS

Animal Case – Quarantine 23-009121

Hope Advanced Veterinary Center

140 Park Street, SE

September 26 12:00 p.m.

A technician was bitten by a dog during a medical procedure. The dog is being held in quarantine for ten days at the veterinary center.

Emergency Custody Order 23-009042

Cedar Lane and Route 66 Overpass

September 27 1:47 a.m.

Officers responded to assist Fairfax County Police with a town resident who was suffering from mental issues and was attempting to harm himself. PFC Stroh took the man into custody on an Emergency Custody Order. Rescue personnel responded, treated the man's injuries, and transported him to the hospital for evaluation.

Petit Larceny 23-009123

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

September 27 7:00 a.m.

A juvenile resident reported his backpack and his school issued laptop were stolen from the exterior stairs outside of his apartment.

Animal Case – Quarantine 23-009266

100 Block Roland Court, SW

September 27 12:00 p.m.

On October 3, the Health Department reported a resident was bitten by her cat on September 27. ACO Barker advised the resident of the 10-day quarantine.

Petit Larceny 23-009164

600 Block Spring Street, SE

Between September 28 at 4:45 p.m. and September 29 at 2:30 p.m.

A resident reported a check was stolen from her porch. She advised she left the check and a contract on the porch for a company that was coming to work on her fence.

Petit Larceny 23-009141

Vienna Elementary School

128 Center Street, South

September 29 between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

A resident reported her son's bicycle was stolen from the bike rack at the school.

Juvenile Case 23-009129

Cedar Lane and Route 66 Overpass

September 29 10:33 a.m.

Officers responded to the report of a student who left the Cedar Lane School. The juvenile was located at Cedar Lane and Route 66, attempting to harm herself and fighting with school security officers. Fairfax County Police took custody of the juvenile. Rescue personnel responded to treat the juvenile's injuries and transport her to an area hospital for evaluation.

Found Property 23-009143

1100 Block Cottage Street, SW

September 29 7:02 p.m.

A resident reported a bicycle was left in front of the residence.

Found Property 23-009172

Nothing Bundt Cake

129 Maple Avenue, West

September 30 4:32 p.m.

A citizen turned in a found credit card.

Animal Case – Quarantine 23-009176

1100 Pekay Street, SW

September 30 7:23 p.m.

A USPS employee reported they were bitten by a resident's dog while delivering mail. The resident was advised of the 10-day quarantine.

Animal Case 23-009177

1117 Cottage Street, SW

September 30 7:44 p.m.

An officer responded to the report of an injured deer that was struck by a vehicle. The officer found the animal was in grave condition and euthanized the animal.

Trespassing 23-009178

Domino's Pizza

331 Maple Avenue, East

September 30 8:09 p.m.

An employee requested assistance trespassing a former employee who was causing continuous issues. The former employee left the area before an officer arrived.

Arrest – Warrant Service 23-009179

300 Block Maple Avenue, East

September 30 8:50 p.m.

An officer was on patrol when he observed a woman who had an outstanding warrant in Fairfax County approaching her vehicle in the parking lot.

PFC Carne arrested the 36-year-old woman from Broadway Drive in Falls Church, Virginia. She was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the capias charging Failure to Appear on Petit Larceny was served on her.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 23-009184

Owaissa Road, SE

October 1 12:20 a.m.

A mental health hotline reported a concerning message they received from a resident. An officer spoke to the resident who advised he was stressed but did not require immediate assistance. The resident was provided with information about the services available to him.

Civil Case 23-009203

Cruz-N-Shine Car Wash

159 Maple Avenue, West

October 1 12:07 p.m.

An officer responded to a civil dispute between an employee and a customer when the customer's vehicle was damaged in the carwash.

Open Door 23-009205

300 Block Berry Street, SE

October 1 2:47 p.m.

Officers responding to a residential alarm found an open door. The officers searched the home and nothing appeared suspicious.

Natural Death 23-009225

Druid Hill Road, NE

October 2 12:19 p.m.

Officers responded to a residence with rescue personnel to the report of an unresponsive elderly woman. Rescue personnel determined the woman, who suffered from medical issues, was deceased.

Found Property 23-009229

Vienna Police Station

215 Center Street, South

October 2 1:33 p.m.

A citizen turned in a found wallet.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 23-009279

101 Maple Avenue, East

October 3 6:37 p.m.

An officer responded to the bus stop to check on the welfare of a man lying under the bus stop bench. Upon the officer's interaction with the man, he detected signs of intoxication.

PFC Mayar arrested the 44-year-old man with no fixed address. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with being Drunk In Public.

Fraud 23-009298

900 Block Fairway Drive, NE

October 4 5:26 p.m.

A resident reported someone used his personal information to open utility accounts in Texas.

Destruction of Property 23-009302

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

October 4 between 6:08 p.m. and 6:42 p.m.

A resident reported damage to the rear window of their vehicle.

CASE UPDATES

None

CRASHES

820 Follin Lane, SE 23-008406

September 6 9:35 a.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked in the credit union parking lot. Vehicle-1 struck Vehicle-2 and the driver fled the area without stopping to provide their information.

243 Church Street, NW 23-009031

September 26 2:40 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked in the parking lot when it was struck by Vehicle-1. Driver-1 fled the area without stopping to provide their information.

Lawyers Road and Malcolm Road, NW 23-009126

September 29 9:27 p.m.

Three vehicles were traveling southbound on Lawyers Road. Vehicle-2 and Vehicle-3 stopped for the stop sign at Malcolm Road when Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2, pushing it into the rear of Vehicle-3.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Following Too Close.

300 Block Maple Avenue, West 23-009238

October 2 4:39 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling eastbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-2 slowed to turn right and Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2 causing minor damage to both vehicles.

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

CITIZEN NOTES



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

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

Saturday, October 28, 2023, 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 October 28, 2023, between 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 215 Center Street, South, Vienna, Virginia 22180.

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 consumers only after the batteries are removed. It is important to stress that the DEA is not responsible for removing batteries from the devices.

Intravenous solutions, injectables, and syringes will not be accepted due to associated hazards (The only exemption is EpiPens).

Commercial businesses, pharmacies, or other medical facilities may not use this 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:
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As we see a rise in these cases across the area and the country, we would like to share this important FBI Public Service Announcement and make the community aware.

Vienna Police Department



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Alert Number

I-091223-PSA

Questions regarding this PSA should be directed to your local **FBI Field Office**.

Local Field Office Locations: www.fbi.gov/contact-us/field-offices

Violent Online Groups Extort Minors to Self-Harm and Produce Child Sexual Abuse Material

The FBI is warning the public of violent online groups deliberately targeting minor victims on publicly available messaging platforms to extort them into recording or live-streaming acts of self-harm and producing child sexual abuse material (CSAM). These groups use threats, blackmail, and manipulation to control the victims into recording or live-streaming self-harm, sexually explicit acts, and/or suicide; the footage is then circulated among members to extort victims further and exert control over them.

VIOLENT ONLINE GROUPS

The violent online groups use many names, including 676, 764, CVLT, Court, Kaskar, Harm Nation, Leak Society, and H3ll, but continuously evolve and form subgroups under different monikers. They operate on publicly available platforms, such as social media sites or mobile applications. To gain access to a majority of these groups, prospective members are required to live-stream or upload videos depicting their minor victims harming animals or committing self-harm, suicide, murder, or other acts of violence. The key motivators of these groups are to gain notoriety and rise in status within their groups.

TARGETING

The groups target minors between the ages of 8 and 17 years old, especially LGBTQ+ youth, racial minorities, and those who struggle with a variety of mental health issues, such as depression and suicidal ideation.

EXTORTION AND SELF-HARM

The groups use extortion and blackmail tactics, such as threatening to SWAT¹ or DOX² the minor victims, if they do not comply with the groups' requests, manipulate and extort minors into producing CSAM and videos depicting animal cruelty and self-harm. Self-harm activity includes cutting, stabbing, or fansigning³. Members of the groups threaten to share sexually explicit videos or photos of the minor victims with their family, friends, and/or post to the internet. The groups control their victims through extreme fear and many members have an end-goal of forcing the minors they extort into committing suicide on live-stream for their own entertainment or their own sense of fame.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The FBI urges the public to exercise caution when posting or direct messaging personal photos, videos, and identifying information on social media, dating apps, and other online sites. Although seemingly innocuous when posted or shared, the images and videos can provide malicious actors an abundant supply of content to exploit for criminal activity. Advancements in content creation technology and accessible personal images online present new opportunities for malicious actors to find and target minor victims. This leaves them vulnerable to embarrassment, harassment, extortion, financial loss, or continued long-term re-victimization. Further, the FBI recommends looking out for warning signs indicating a minor may be experiencing self-harm or suicidal ideations. Being able to recognize the warning signs of self-harm will help you provide immediate support.

The FBI recommends the public consider the following warning signs regarding self-harm or suicide:

- Sudden behavior changes such as becoming withdrawn, moody, or irritable.
- Sudden changes in appearance, especially neglect of appearance.
- Changes in eating or sleeping habits.
- Dropping out of activities and becoming more isolated and withdrawn.
- Scars, often in patterns.
- Fresh cuts, scratches, bruises, bite marks, burns, or other wounds.
- Carvings, such as words or symbols, on the skin.
- Wearing long sleeves or pants in hot weather.
- Threatening to commit suicide and openly talking about death, not being wanted or needed or not being around.

The FBI recommends the public consider the following when sharing content (e.g., photos and videos) or engaging with individuals online:

- Monitor children's online activity and discuss risks associated with sharing personal content.
- Use discretion when posting images, videos, and personal content online, particularly those that include children or their information.

- Images, videos, or personal information posted online can be captured, manipulated, and distributed by malicious actors without your knowledge or consent.
- Once content is shared on the internet, it can be extremely difficult, if not impossible, to remove once it is circulated or posted by other parties.
- Run frequent online searches of you and your children's information (e.g., full name, address, phone number, etc.) to help identify the exposure and spread of personal information on the internet.
- Apply privacy settings on social media accounts—including setting profiles and your friends' lists as private—to limit the public exposure of your photos, videos, and other personal information.
- Consider using reverse image search engines to locate any photos or videos that have circulated on the internet without your knowledge.
- Exercise caution when accepting friend requests, communicating, engaging in video conversations, or sending images to individuals, you do not know personally. Be especially wary of individuals who immediately ask or pressure you to provide them photos or videos. Those items could be screen-captured, recorded, manipulated, shared without your knowledge or consent, and used to exploit you or someone you know.
- Do not provide any unknown or unfamiliar individuals with money or other items of value. Complying with malicious actors does not guarantee your sensitive photos or content will not be shared.
- Use discretion when interacting with known individuals online who appear to be acting outside their normal pattern of behavior. Malicious actors can easily manipulate hacked social media accounts.
- Secure social media and other online accounts using complex passwords or passphrases and multi-factor authentication.
- Research the privacy, data sharing, and data retention policies of social media platforms, apps, and websites before uploading and sharing images, videos, or other personal content.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

If you are worried about someone who might be self-harming or is at risk of suicide the following resources may help:

- Consult your pediatrician or other health care provider who can provide an initial evaluation or a referral to a mental health professional.
- Connecting your child to a mental health resource can help them learn healthy coping skills for intense emotions and help reduce the risk of a serious injury.
- If it is an immediate, life-threatening emergency dial 9-1-1.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children provides a free service known as **Take It Down**, which helps minor victims, even if they are now an adult, but were victimized as a minor, with online

image or video files, remove or stop the online sharing of nude, or sexually explicit content taken while under 18 years old. For more information, visit <https://takeitdown.ncmec.org>.

If you believe you are the victim of a crime using these types of tactics, retain all information regarding the incident (e.g., usernames, email addresses, websites or names of platforms used for communication, photos, videos, etc.) and immediately report it to:

- FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center at www.ic3.gov
- FBI Field Office [www.fbi.gov/contact-us/field-offices or 1-800-CALL-FBI (225-5324)]
- National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (1-800-THE LOST or www.cybertipline.org)

Reporting these crimes can help law enforcement identify malicious actors and prevent further victimization.

¹SWAT also referred to as SWATTING is the action or practice of making a prank call to police or emergency services in an attempt bring about the dispatch of armed police officers such as a SWAT team to a particular address.

²DOX also referred to as DOXXING is the action of obtaining and publishing personally identifiable information (PII) on the internet, usually for malicious intent.

³Fansigning is writing or cutting specific numbers, letters, symbols, or names onto your body.



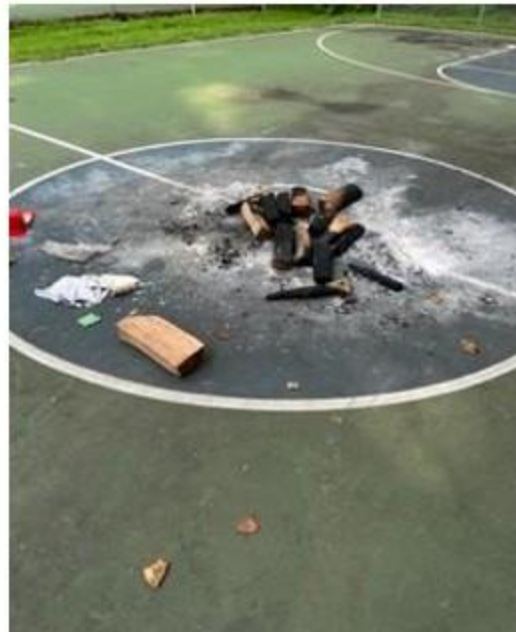
Vienna Police Department

INFORMATION BULLETIN

FOR PUBLIC DISSEMINATION

DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY

On Friday, July 28, 2023, around 10:00 pm, two high school or early college age, white males built a "camp fire" on the Glyndon Park basketball court. The fire caused significant damage to the court surface.



If you have any information regarding this fire, please contact Det. Patrick Crandall, patrick.crandall@viennava.gov or Det. Bradley Reedy, bradley.reedy@viennava.gov (703) 386-4008, reference case number 2023-7214

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Vienna Police Department



The emergency technology company, **RapidSOS**, has partnered with the American Heart Association, American Red Cross, and Direct Relief to sponsor a no-cost voluntary health database. RapidSOS is an intelligent safety platform that securely links life-saving data from 500M+ connected devices, apps, and sensors from 90+ global technology companies to over 450,000 first responders across 15,000 agencies nationwide. Whether there's an unsafe moment or an emergency, RapidSOS Ready devices, homes, or buildings deliver essential data to first responders when it matters most.

Town of Vienna residents may create a free emergency health profile that can be easily shared with first responders during a crisis or emergency to ensure they can access your critical health and medical information when you need help. Your created profile provides real-time details about your medical history, emergency contacts, allergies, etc. It only takes a few minutes to set up and is voluntary.

You can enter behavioral health information, pre-existing medical conditions, allergies, emergency contacts, and other relevant details into the database. This information is associated with your mobile phone number and will only be available to first responders when they receive an emergency call from your provided telephone number. You can choose the amount of information you provide based on your discretion.

Regularly reviewing and updating your profile is vital to ensure first responders have the most up-to-date information, especially after significant health or life changes.

We encourage Vienna residents to take the first step in ensuring their safety during an emergency by creating a free emergency health profile today at <https://www.emergencyprofile.org/>.

