



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

November 3, 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 October 27, 2023 to November 2, 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.

Mayor and Chief at Your Service – Holiday Safety

You may love the holiday season for its spirit of giving, merriment, and the quest to purchase the perfect gifts for loved ones. Do you know who else loves the holidays? Scammers and thieves looking for opportunities to target you and your home. From online shopping to in-store buying to those perfectly wrapped presents under the tree, the winter holidays ring in crime time during what’s supposed to be the season of goodwill.

Find out how you can avoid becoming a victim at the next Mayor & Chief at Your Service forum on Tuesday, November 14, 2023, at 7 p.m. at the Vienna Police Department Community Room. Mayor Linda Colbert and Police Chief Jim Morris will provide tips on how you and your family can stay safe this holiday season. The Mayor and Chief will also be available to answer questions about any matter in Vienna. Refreshments will be served. The Vienna Police Department is located at 215 Center St. S., Vienna.

INCIDENTS

Fraud 23-009973

700 Block Center Street, South

October 17 12:00 a.m.

A resident reported they received a credit card in the mail using their address for someone they do not know.

Found Property 23-010030

Evolution Fitness

216 Dominion Road, NE

October 22 8:30 a.m.

On October 28, a resident turned in jewelry he found in the parking lot of the fitness center on October 22.

Vandalism 23-009906

JDA Custom Homes

112 Pleasant Street, NW, Suite C

October 24 between 10:00 p.m. and 10:15 p.m.

On October 25, the business owner reported someone vandalized the door of the business with spray paint on October 24.

Suspicious Event 23-009915

Glyndon Park

300 Glyndon Street, NE

October 25 between 12:00 a.m. and 8:30 a.m.

A citizen reported someone poured syrup on the pickleball court. She also advised that on October 11, she observed another liquid that had been poured on the court.

Petit Larceny 23-009934

T-Mobile

216 Maple Avenue, West

October 25 between 11:55 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

An employee reported a man stole an Apple watch from the store.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 23-009933

Cava

418 Maple Avenue, East

October 26 12:21 p.m.

Officers responded to a disorderly man lying on the ground and yelling. Upon the officers' interaction with the man, they detected signs of impairment. Rescue personnel responded and transported the man to an area hospital for evaluation and treatment.

PFC Reed escorted the man, a 19-year-old from Lincoln Avenue in Vienna, to the hospital and issued him a summons charging Drunk In Public.

Fraud 23-009937

300 Block George Street, SW

October 26 5:08 p.m.

A resident reported someone used his identity to attempt to open a credit card and make a purchase.

Lost Property 23-009938

700 Block Upham Place, NW

October 26 5:52 p.m.

A resident reported he lost the front license plate from his vehicle.

Police Service 23-010003

Hair Cuttery

316 Maple Avenue, West

October 27 11:00 a.m.

A citizen reported her adult son never returned to his home in Falls Church after going to the Hair Cuttery. A lookout was given to our officers and Falls Church Police handled the missing person report.

Fraud 23-009971

BB&T Bank

415 Maple Avenue, West

October 27 11:13 a.m.

A citizen reported an incident in 2009 where his brother forged their father's signature at the BB&T Bank to access his bank account.

Police Service 23-009984

Cedar Lane School

101 Cedar Lane, SW

October 27 2:40 p.m.

A staff member found a personal item in the hallway that is prohibited in school. The property belonged to a student who became disorderly with the staff member. The staff member turned the item over to security and was discussing the matter in the office when the student began to threaten the employee. The student's father was notified and picked up his son before officers arrived.

Suspicious Event 23-009987

Kramer Drive and Echols Street, SE

October 27 2:40 p.m.

A juvenile reported a suspicious man in a vehicle at the school bus stop. The juvenile called her mother who responded to the bus stop to pick up her daughter. When the mother attempted to confront the man, he drove away.

Telephone Case 23-010002

200 Block Locust Street, SE

October 27 10:51 p.m.

A resident reported he was receiving calls from an unknown person trying to extort money from him by threatening his family.

Trespassing 23-010034

Giant Food

359 Maple Avenue, East

October 28 2:37 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a woman who was acting disorderly towards another customer. At the request of the store's management, the woman was trespassed from the store and advised she would be arrested if she returned to the premises.

Trespassing and Petit Larceny 23-010041 and 23-010052

Popeyes

325 Maple Avenue, East

October 28 8:19 p.m.

An employee reported a customer was upset with the quality of their meal and threw a stack of disposable cups at them. When the man left the restaurant, he forgot his book bag. The employee requested the man be trespassed from the restaurant. A short time later, the man called the police station, reporting his book bag stolen. The man was advised that he had left the property in the restaurant and could come to the police station to retrieve it. When he recovered his property, he reported that US currency was missing. An officer advised the man he was trespassed from the restaurant and would be arrested if he returned to the premises.

Trespassing 23-010060
F45 Fitness Training
322 Maple Avenue, West
October 29 9:45 a.m.

An employee reported a man was in the gym talking inappropriately to the employees. At the request of the employees, the man was trespassed from the gym. He was advised he would be arrested if he returned to the premises.

Arrest - Assault 23-010087
200 Block Cedar Lane, SE
October 30 between 9:40 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Officers responded to the area for a dispute between neighbors over one of them leaving their dog's waste outside of their building. The man advised that he and his brother confronted the dog's owner, resulting in an altercation. The dog's owner advised his two neighbors assaulted him while he was picking up the waste, causing minor injury. Rescue responded to treat the small cut, but the man refused transport to a medical facility. The parties were advised of the warrant process should they wish to pursue charges.

Later in the day, the dog owner obtained summonses from the magistrate's office for both men charging Simple Assault. On October 31, Ofc. Fitchue served the summonses on the 41-year-old man from Cedar Lane, SE, in Vienna, and the 26-year-old man from Breckenridge Court in Harrisonburg, Virginia. The men were released on their signatures.

Found Property 23-010093
Cottage Street and Elm Street, SW
October 30 11:30 a.m.

A citizen turned in a credit card he found in the area.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 23-010115
Cedar Lane School
101 Cedar Lane, SW
October 31 7:56 a.m.

Officers responded to the report of a student who was making concerning statements and acting out. PFC Reed took the juvenile into custody on an Emergency Custody Order. The juvenile was transported to a medical facility for evaluation and was later released by a clinician to the custody of a relative.

Fraud 23-010157

1000 Block Ware Street, SW

October 31 12:28 p.m.

A resident received an email he believed was from the Best Buy Geek Squad to renew his account. The resident provided bank account information to pay for the renewal, then later received a notification from his bank regarding an attempt to transfer a large sum of money from his account.

Juvenile Case 23-010150

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

November 1 7:24 a.m.

A resident reported her juvenile daughter left their apartment at 11:00 p.m. on October 31 and had not returned home. The juvenile called while officers were taking the report and returned home a few minutes later.

Police Service 23-010164

PNC Bank

353 Maple Avenue, East

November 1, 12:03 p.m.

A citizen reported a crew working on the roadway directed her to drive over freshly painted lines which left paint on her tires.

Unlawful Entry 23-010195

Emmaus United Church of Christ

900 Maple Avenue, East

November 1 11:21 p.m.

An employee with the cleaning crew found a man sleeping in one of the classrooms of the preschool. Upon the officer's interaction with the man, they detected signs of impairment.

PFC Stroh arrested the 32-year-old man from Loisdale Road in Springfield, Virginia. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Unlawful Entry and Drunk In Public.

Accidental Death 23-010196

200 Block Audrey's Court, SE

November 2 12:13 a.m.

Officers responded with rescue personnel to the report of a resident who was unresponsive after falling down the steps in her residence. The resident was transported to an area hospital where she passed away from the injuries she sustained in the fall.

CASE UPDATES

None

CRASHES

204 Mill Street, NE 23-009918

October 25 4:20 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was backing out of a parking space when it struck Vehicle-2, a legally parked vehicle. There was minor damage to both vehicles.

1000 Block Cottage Street, SW 23-010038

October 28 3:55 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked on the roadway. Vehicle-1 was backing out of a driveway and struck Vehicle-2.

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

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

Results of the 25th National Drug Take Back Initiative

On October 28, 2023, the Town of Vienna Police Department teamed up with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration (D.E.A.) for the 25th National Prescription Drug Take Back Initiative. During this event, the Town of Vienna Police Department successfully gathered and properly disposed of 228 pounds of expired or unnecessary medications, which local residents voluntarily turned in. Statewide, the October initiative amassed around 16,454 pounds of medications.

The Vienna Police Department is committed to remaining an active partner with the D.E.A. in future Drug Take Back events, continuing its efforts to promote safe and responsible medication disposal.



M.P.O. Juan Vazquez with 228 pounds of unused or expired medications

For further information please contact:

**M.P.O. Juan Vazquez - Town of Vienna Police Department
juan.vazquez@viennava.gov or 703-255-7845**

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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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.



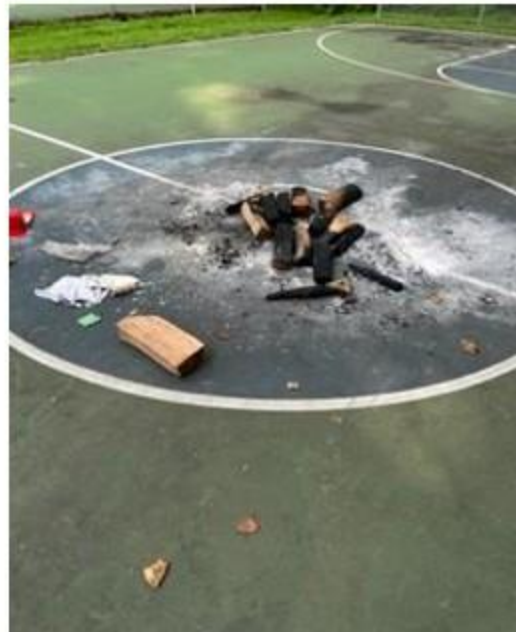
Vienna Police Department

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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August 22, 2023



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/>.

