



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

November 17, 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 November 10, 2023 to November 16, 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 Juan Vazquez for further information at Juan.vazquez@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

Civil 23-01572

211 Maple Avenue, East

July 11 10:00 a.m.

A resident reported that he was dissatisfied with a phone he had recently purchased and decided to go back to the store for an exchange. Upon leaving the phone at the store, the resident believed the return process was complete. To his surprise, several months later, he received a substantial bill for the unreturned original phone. Seeking resolution, he contacted customer service and was instructed to file a police report to secure a refund for the amount he had paid.

Fraud 23-010591

200 McHenry Street, SE

Between October 7 12:01 a.m. and October 8 11:59 p.m.

A resident reported that someone made fraudulent charges to his credit cards.

Fraud 23-010471

600 Block Kingsley Road, SW

Between October 14 12:00 p.m. and October 26 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported that someone was able to gain access to her airline online account and stole her travel miles.

Disorderly Conduct 23-010000

Chick-Fil-A

538 Maple Avenue, West

October 27 9:50 p.m.

Officers responded to a report of a fight in progress and diffused the situation. They contacted the parents of the juveniles involved in the incident and had them picked up.

Assault on LEO/Underage possession of alcohol/Obstruction 23-010007

Chick-Fil-A

538 Maple Avenue, West

October 27 9:50 p.m.

A police officer was assaulted while assisting on a fight call. The juvenile who assaulted the officer turned over to a family member. Petitions are being sought for the assault on LEO.

Grand Larceny 23-010144

Vienna Community Center

120 Cherry Street, SE

October 31 at 9:15 p.m.

A resident reported that a teen approached her child and stole the candy he had collected that night, while another teen a few feet away was waving a knife. Detectives are investigating this case.

Suspicious Event 23-010285

305 Maple Avenue, West

November 3 10:00 p.m.

Detectives responded to investigate reports of a screaming woman. It was later determined that a homeless female gained entry into the business. The emotionally disturbed female was not in distress. She was asked by the property owner to leave the premises prior to police arrival and complied.

Suspicious Event 23-010426

100 Block Patrick Street, SE

November 8 3:33 a.m.

A resident shared security footage of someone attempting to enter her locked vehicle.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 23-010404

Cedar Lane School

101 Cedar Lane, SW

November 8 8:27 a.m.

School staff requested assistance with a student who was thinking of self-harming. The student was transported to a mental health facility to be medically evaluated.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 23-010431

200 Block Courthouse Circle, SW

November 8 11:34 a.m.

Residents requested assistance with an emotionally disturbed person. After speaking with the troubled person, officers determined that they needed medical assistance and transport to a medical facility for an evaluation.

Fire 23-010416

Plaka Grill

110 Lawyers Road, NW

November 8 1:44 p.m.

An employee reported a dumpster fire they put out before contacting the Police Department.

Runaway 23-010432

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

November 9 12:22 a.m.

A resident reported her teenage child as missing. Officers contacted the teenager via social media, who agreed to return home immediately.

Suspicious Event 23-010442

Domino's Pizza

331 Maple Avenue, East

November 9 9:06 p.m.

A staff member reported that an upset phone customer threatened the employees for refusing to honor a coupon.

Domestic Dispute 23-010473

200 Block Courthouse Circle, SW

November 10 6:15 p.m.

A resident responded to the Vienna Police Station to speak to an officer about a domestic dispute that had just occurred. After talking to both residents, it was determined that no law violation had occurred. Both residents agreed to keep their distance for the night to avoid more disputes.

Domestic Dispute 23-010474

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215 Center Street, South

November 10 7:02 p.m.

A resident wanted to report suspicious behavior involving her ex-husband.

Missing Adult 23-010475

Dollar Tree

215 Maple Avenue, West

November 10 9:01 p.m.

A resident wanted to report her brother as missing.

Animal Case – Quarantine 23-010582

600 Block John Marshall Drive, NW

November 11 12:00 a.m.

A friend's dog bit a teen while playing at his house. The dog was placed on a 10-day quarantine.

Animal Case 23-010497

500 Block Nelson Drive, NE

November 11 between 12:59 p.m. and 2:15 p.m.

An officer euthanized an injured deer.

Brandish Weapon 23-010500

Vienna Community Center

120 Cherry Street, SE

November 11 2:16 p.m.

A child reported that while walking in the parking lot, some teens approached him and pulled out a toy gun in an attempt to scare him.

Suspicious Event 23-010499

400 Block Knoll Street, NW

November 11 3:08 p.m.

A citizen attempted to report a missing adult. After investigating the case, the officer determined that the person did not meet the requirements to be considered missing.

Arrest – Destruction of Property/Obstruction 23-010507

200 Block Courthouse Circle, SW

November 11 6:17 p.m.

A resident requested police assistance with a domestic dispute. Officers investigated the allegations and determined that a crime had been committed.

Officer Stroh placed a 35-year-old female resident of Courthouse Circle, SW, under arrest and transported her to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. Warrants for destruction of property and obstruction were issued and served.

Trespassing 23-0010512

Domino's Pizza

331 Maple Avenue, East

November 11 8:10 p.m.

The store manager requested police assistance with a subject that was harassing her. Police responded to the store and made contact with the subject. The subject was trespassed from the store because he harassed all the employees.

Missing Person Adult 23-010542

200 Block West Street, NW

November 12 6:00 p.m.

A resident reported her adult daughter missing. Detectives are investigating this case.

Abandoned Vehicle 23-010540

500 Block Ware Street, SW

November 12 8:57 p.m.

While on routine patrol, an officer saw a vehicle left unattended and running. The car had extensive front-end damage and was missing a front tire. It was towed for safekeeping.

Stolen Vehicle 23-010545

500 Block Ware Street, SW

Between November 12 10:00 p.m. and November 13 6:50 a.m.

A resident reported his vehicle stolen from his driveway. The resident advised that he left the spare key fob inside the car. Detectives are investigating this case.

Grand Larceny 23-010634
The Virginian Restaurant
169 Glyndon Street, SE
November 15 7:04 p.m.

A customer left her laptop on a table at the restaurant, and another customer stole it. Detectives are investigating this case.

Natural Death 23-010608
100 Block Locust Street, SW
November 15 9:11 a.m.

Officers responded to assist with a CPR in progress. Upon arrival, officers were advised by the medics that the elderly resident passed away.

Arrest - Drunk in Public 23-010623
101 Maple Avenue, East
November 15 1:47 p.m.

Officers responded to reports of an intoxicated individual. During the interaction with the officers, it was determined that the person was intoxicated.

Officer Ebrahimi placed the 44-year-old resident of Cedar Lane under arrest and transported him to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. A warrant for Drunk In Public was issued and served.

Property Lost 23-010628
100 Block of Park Street, SE
November 15 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported that she lost a key.

CASE UPDATES

None

CRASHES

Tazewell Road, NW/Lawyers Road, NW 23-009676

October 17 10:41 a.m.

Vehicle 1 was riding on Colin Lane, NW, and attempted to turn left onto Lawyers Road, NW. However, the motorcyclist stated that his hand got stuck on the throttle and lost control of the vehicle. As a result, the driver was thrown from the motorcycle.

Hit and Run- 314 Maple Avenue, West 23-010017

October 28 9:25 a.m.

A pedestrian was crossing a parking lot when he got hit by a vehicle. The vehicle left the scene without exchanging information. An ambulance responded to the scene, but the pedestrian refused to be transported.

730 Marshall Road, SW 23-0010187

November 1 4:35 p.m.

A vehicle turned in front of another, traveling in the opposite direction, and the two collided.

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

Hit and Run – 144 Branch Road, SE 23-010581

November 3 12:00 p.m.

A parked vehicle was struck by a hit-and-run vehicle.

Malcolm Road/Lawyers Road, NW 23-010409

November 8 10:39 a.m.

A vehicle entered the 3-way Intersection at Malcolm Road and Lawyers Road, NW, and failed to see the other vehicle in the intersection. The two vehicles collided.

Maple Avenue, East/Center Street, N 23-010422

November 8 3:47 p.m.

A vehicle rear-ended another when the driver was not paying attention.

140 Park Street, SE 23-010464

November 10 2:33 p.m.

A vehicle exited a parking lot when it collided with another traveling southbound on Park Street, SE.

Hit and Run - 800 Maple Avenue, East 23-010467

November 10 3:18 p.m.

A stationary vehicle waiting at a red light was struck from behind by a hit-and-run vehicle.

Branch Road, SE/Maple Avenue, East 23-010472

November 10 5:10 p.m.

A vehicle exiting the parking lot struck another.

Church Street/Center Street 23-010496

November 11 12:53 p.m.

A vehicle was traveling eastbound on Church Street, NE, when a pedestrian suddenly ran into the vehicle. The individual was transported via ambulance to a hospital.

Hit and Run - 120 Maple Avenue, East 23-010510

November 11 7:28 p.m.

A vehicle collided with an unoccupied parked car and left without exchanging information.

Nutley Street, SW/Kingsley Road, SW 23-010520

November 12 10:13 a.m.

A car was traveling north on Nutley Street when another vehicle making a left turn from Kingsley Road crashed into it.

Please contact Juan Vazquez for further information on any of these cases at Juan.vazquez@viennava.gov or 703-255-7845.

CITIZEN NOTES

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



September 12, 2023

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.



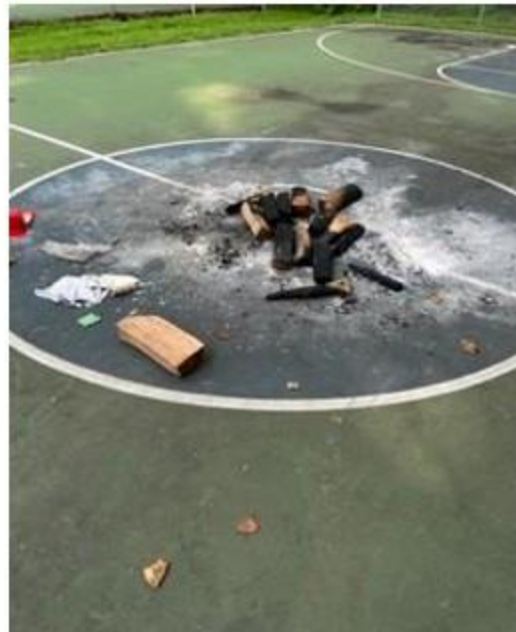
Vienna Police Department

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/>.

