



# VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

January 12, 2024

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from January 4, 2024 to January 11, 2024. 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](mailto: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**

### **Fraud 24-000196**

**600 Block John Marshall Drive, NE**

**Between December 18 at 12:00 a.m. and January 6 at 10:17 a.m.**

A resident reported an unknown person was attempting to make transfers from her bank account. The unauthorized transactions were blocked by her bank.

### **Animal Case – Quarantine 24-000154**

**500 Block Kramer Court, SE**

**December 31 8:00 p.m.**

On January 3, the Health Department requested assistance in locating a cat that had scratched a resident. The resident reported they were trying to free a cat that was stuck on their fence when she was scratched by the animal. The resident advised they were not familiar with the cat and would not be able to identify it.

### **Animal Case – Quarantine 24-000144**

**900 Block Olympian Circle, SW**

**January 5 7:00 a.m.**

A resident reported his dog had gotten into a fight with a raccoon. ACO Barker euthanized the raccoon and transported the animal to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter for rabies testing. On January 8, ACO Barker was informed the rabies test came back negative.

### **Arrest – Underage Possession of Alcohol 24-000182**

**100 Block Glyndon Street, NE**

**January 5 11:30 p.m.**

An officer observed a driver commit a traffic offense and initiated a traffic stop. Upon their interaction with the driver, the officer observed an open container of alcohol in the vehicle. Additional cans of alcohol were also located in the vehicle. The driver successfully completed a series of field sobriety tests.

Ofc. Temple issued two summonses to the 20-year-old woman from Old Courthouse Road, NE in Vienna charging Underage Possession of Alcohol and Driving with an Open Container of Alcohol. The driver was released on her signature.

**Vandalism 24-000200**  
**Navy Federal Credit Union**  
**820 Follin Lane, SE**  
**January 6 1:10 p.m.**

A citizen reported he met a man in the parking lot of Giant at Hunter Mill Road in Oakton who offered to fix a dent in his vehicle. After agreeing to the work, the man followed him to the Navy Federal parking lot to complete the work. At that time, the citizen advised the man he decided to do the work himself, and an argument ensued. The citizen left the parking lot to walk into the bank, and upon his return, he witnessed the man striking his vehicle with his fists, causing damage.

**Suspicious Event 24-000201**  
**900 Block Moorefield Hill Grove, SW**  
**January 6 2:00 p.m.**

A resident reported issues he is having with his Homeowner's Association regarding parking. The resident was advised that parking on HOA-controlled property is covered under their agreements and to contact an attorney for proper guidance.

**Arrest – Warrant Service 24-000220**  
**Kingsley Road, SW**  
**January 7 5:23 p.m.**

A resident requested assistance with her juvenile daughter. Fairfax County Police had an active capias for the juvenile charging Failure to Appear.

Sgt. Ruddy served the capias on the juvenile and transported her to the Fairfax County Juvenile Shelter Care where she was released to their custody.

**Suspicious Event 24-000239**  
**400 Block Surrey Lane, SE**  
**January 8 9:25 a.m.**

A resident reported they have been receiving Amazon package deliveries to their home, addressed to someone they do not know.

**Suspicious Event 24-000248**  
**300 Block Park Street, NE**  
**January 8 11:36 a.m.**

A resident reported concerning correspondence he has been receiving from a former patient. The resident was advised of the process to obtain a protective order.

**Petit Larceny 24-000285**

**CVS**

**337 Maple Avenue, East**

**January 9 4:54 p.m.**

An employee reported two men entered the store and one of them attempted to conceal soap in his backpack. The employee confronted the man, had him return the soap, and the two individuals left the store.

**Arrest – Narcotics Violation and Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor 24-000292**

**Yeonas Park**

**1319 Ross Drive, SW**

**January 9 9:38 p.m.**

While assisting a resident who was searching for her juvenile daughter, officers observed an occupied vehicle in the parking lot of the park. Officers found the juvenile, along with another juvenile and two men in the vehicle where they had been smoking marijuana. The juveniles were released to their parents.

PFC Stroh arrested the two men, a 21-year-old man from East Staunton Avenue in Sterling, Virginia, and a 21-year-old man from Riggs Road in Hyattsville, Maryland. They were transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where they were both charged with two counts each of Distribution of Drugs to a Minor, two counts each of Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor, and Consuming Marijuana in Public.

**Emotionally Disturbed Person 24-000294**

**100 Block Cedar Lane, SW**

**January 9 11:48 p.m.**

Officers responded to check on a resident who called the police department. Upon their interaction with the man they found he had self-inflicted injuries on his arm. Rescue personnel responded and transported the man to an area hospital for treatment of minor injuries.

**Natural Death 24-000300**

**700 Block Cottage Street, SW**

**January 10 4:44 a.m.**

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with an unresponsive resident. Rescue personnel determined the man was deceased.

**Fraud 24-000357**

**400 Block Courthouse Road, SW**

**January 10 10:00 a.m.**

A resident reported an unauthorized charge on her bank account.

**Arrest - Grand Larceny 24-000346**

**200 Block Cedar Lane, SE**

**January 11 6:29 a.m.**

A resident left his vehicle unlocked and with the engine running to warm up. A relative of the resident observed a man in the vehicle and confronted him. The man tried to flee in the vehicle but was stopped by the witnesses and detained until officers arrived on the scene.

Ofc. Ebrahimi arrested the 20-year-old man from Kerria Lane in Middle River, Maryland. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Vehicle Theft and Possession of Burglarious Tools. The man was held without bond.

**Found Property 24-000358**

**300 Block Broadleaf Drive, NE**

**January 11 1:54 p.m.**

A resident turned in a found credit card that was left in an envelope in her front yard.

**CASE UPDATES**

*June 9, 2023 Vienna Police Highlights*

**Robbery 23-004933**

**500 Block of Church Street, NE**

**June 2 11:54 a.m.**

Officers from the Vienna Police Department responded to a report of a robbery of a United States Postal Service employee in the 500 block of Church St NE. The employee stated the suspect displayed a knife and demanded the employee's keys. The employee complied and gave up their United States Postal Service mailbox key. The suspect then proceeded to pepper spray the employee before fleeing the scene on foot. The employee was transported to a local area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

***UPDATE-***

Vienna Police Detectives successfully identified two suspects in this case. On January 5, 2024, the detectives, in coordination with Fairfax County SWAT, and the U.S. Postal Inspection Service arrested an adult and a juvenile in this case. See the Vienna Police Media Release below for further information.

## **CRASHES**

### **Courthouse Road near Nutley Street, SW 23-011752**

**December 23 3:18 p.m.**

Vehicle-1 was turning right from northbound Nutley Street onto Courthouse Road when another vehicle crossed into their lane. Vehicle-1 swerved to avoid the other vehicle, went off the road, struck a tree, went through a fence, and struck a shed in the backyard of 502 Stephen Circle, SW.

### **Maple Avenue and Nutley Street, SW 24-000168**

**January 5 3:20 p.m.**

Vehicle-1 was exiting the parking lot of 431 Maple Avenue, West, crossing two lanes of traffic to get into the left turn lane. Vehicle-2 was traveling in the turn lane when the two vehicles collided.

### **Maple Avenue and Beulah Road, NE 24-000169**

**January 5 4:40 p.m.**

Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-2 was traveling southbound on Beulah Road, through the intersection to enter the shopping center parking lot with a green traffic light. Vehicle-1 disregarded the red traffic light and collided with Vehicle-2.

### **Maple Avenue and Courthouse Road, SW 24-000174**

**January 5 6:27 p.m.**

Vehicle-2 was traveling eastbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 was in the turn lane to turn left onto Lawyers Road. Vehicle-1 tried to merge into the straight travel lane and collided with Vehicle-2.

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

### **Maple Avenue and Nutley Street, NW 24-000237**

**January 8 8:52 a.m.**

Two vehicles were traveling eastbound in the left lane on Maple Avenue, stopped for the red traffic signal. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

### **Ware Street and Kingsley Road, SW 24-000323**

**January 10 3:00 p.m.**

Vehicle-1 was westbound on Kingsley Road. Vehicle-2 was northbound on Ware Street when the two vehicles collided.

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](mailto:Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov) or 703-255-6324.**

## **CITIZEN NOTES**



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

#### **Robbery Update**



Amr Abdalla

Vienna, Virginia - On June 2, 2023, the Vienna Police responded to a robbery involving a postal carrier on his route on Church Street Northeast. The victim reported being assaulted with pepper spray and having postal property stolen.

Subsequent to the initial incident, a series of thefts occurred, targeting blue collection boxes in the Vienna, Fairfax, and Oakton areas. In response, Vienna PD initiated a collaborative investigation with the U.S. Postal Inspection Service.

Vienna Police Detectives successfully identified two suspects, a juvenile and a 19-year-old, believed to be connected to the robbery and the subsequent mail thefts.

Today, a coordinated effort involving Vienna Police Detectives, Fairfax County SWAT, and the U.S. Postal Inspection Service led to the execution of a search warrant in the 3000 block of Borge Street in Oakton, VA.

Both suspects were apprehended without incident. Charges include robbery, assault with a caustic substance, and identity theft. The investigation remains ongoing.

The Vienna Police Department would like to thank the citizens who came forward and provided information that helped bring the case to a successful conclusion. The department would also like to thank the U.S. Postal Inspection Service and the Fairfax County Police Department for their continued partnership and support.

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

Local Field Office Locations: [www.fbi.gov/contact-us/field-offices](http://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 SWAT<sup>1</sup> or DOX<sup>2</sup> 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 fansigning<sup>3</sup>. 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](http://www.ic3.gov)
- FBI Field Office [[www.fbi.gov/contact-us/field-offices](http://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](http://www.cybertipline.org))

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

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<sup>1</sup>SWAT 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.

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

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



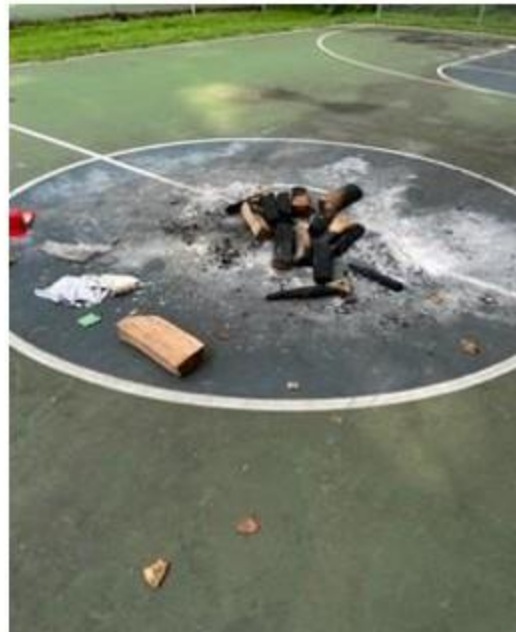
# Vienna Police Department

## 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](mailto:patrick.crandall@viennava.gov) or Det. Bradley Reedy, [bradley.reedy@viennava.gov](mailto: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/>.

