



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

January 26, 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 19, 2024 to January 25, 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)

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 24-000714

700 Block Upham Place, NW

Between September 13, 2023 12:00 a.m. and January 8, 2024 11:59 p.m.

A resident reported several fraudulent charges made to her credit card account.

Destruction of Property 24-000710

400 Block East Street, SE

Between January 17 7:00 p.m. and January 18 7:00 p.m.

A resident has reported that there are two broken windows in the basement.

Arrest – Domestic Assault 24-000584

Patrick Street, SE

January 19 11:20 p.m.

Officers responded to a 911 hang-up. A resident reported an argument with her boyfriend escalated and became physical. An officer assisted the woman in finding a shelter for her and her son.

Ofc. Temple arrested the 20-year-old man from Patrick Street, SE in Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Domestic Assault and an emergency protective order was issued.

Found Property 24-000595

200 Block Maple Avenue, East

January 20 12:50 p.m.

An officer responded to the report of bags lying on the sidewalk near Capital One Bank. The bags contained clothing and a tennis racket.

Grand Larceny 24-000598

400 Block Dominion Road, SE

January 20 2:28 p.m.

A resident reported someone stole a generator, US currency, and a tool bag from his work truck.

Arrest – Child Neglect 24-000604

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

January 20 8:46 p.m.

An officer observed two young juveniles walking alone in the shopping center parking lot wearing light clothing in frigid temperatures. The children advised the officer their mother sent them to the shopping center to pick up a food order. The officer placed the children in his cruiser to get them out of the extreme temperature, picked up their food order, and drove them home. After speaking with the children's mother, the officer consulted with a magistrate who issued two felony warrants for the woman charging Child Abuse/Neglect.

The officer responded to the residence where he arrested the 26-year-old woman from Patrick Street, SE in Vienna. She was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the two warrants were served and she was held on a \$2,500 unsecured bond.

Arrest – Alcohol Offense 24-000609

800 Block Maple Avenue, East

January 20 10:55 p.m.

An officer observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, he observed open containers of alcohol in the vehicle. The driver showed no signs of impairment.

In addition to the traffic charge, Ofc. Temple issued a summons to the 23-year-old man from Astoria Circle in Herndon, Virginia charging Driving With an Open Container of Alcohol. The man was released on his signature.

Police Service 24-000618

Patrick Street, SE

January 21 9:08 a.m.

A resident requested a police escort while she collected her belongings from her apartment.
Reference Incident #24-000584.

Arrest – Warrant Service 24-000621

200 Block Maple Avenue, East

January 21 2:49 p.m.

An officer was in the parking lot of 225 Maple Avenue, East when he was alerted to a vehicle in the lot whose owner had an outstanding warrant in Fairfax County. The officer confirmed the driver was the owner of the vehicle and placed the man under arrest.

Ofc. Reed transported the 33-year-old man from Clovelly Court in Vienna to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the felony warrant charging Fraud – Obtaining Money by False Pretenses was served.

Grand Larceny 24-000623
100 Block Patrick Street, SE
January 21 3:30 p.m.

A resident reported someone broke the passenger side window of his work truck and stole various tools and cables.

Telephone Case 24-000628
500 Block Ridge Road, SW
January 21 9:42 p.m.

A resident reported her ex-girlfriend and her friends were harassing her by phone. The officer explained the process of obtaining a protective order and a warrant should she wish to pursue charges.

The resident obtained a protective order against her ex-girlfriend. The officer responded to the woman's home and served the protective order on her.

Arrest – Alcohol Violation 24-000632
400 Block Maple Avenue, West
January 22 12:31 a.m.

An officer observed a driver commit a traffic offense and initiated a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver, he observed an empty open container of alcohol. The driver showed no signs of impairment.

In addition to the traffic charges, Ofc. Temple issued the 27-year-old man from Wickersham Way in Falls Church, Virginia a summons charging Driving With an Open Container of Alcohol. The man was released on his signature.

Lost Property 24-000658
Giant
359 Maple Avenue, East
January 22 8:00 a.m.

A resident reported a lost cosmetic bag.

Police Service 24-000661
700 Block Meadow Lane, SW
January 22 2:19 p.m.

A Vienna Police Officer responded to the residence to assist a Fairfax County Police Officer with his investigation.

Juvenile 24-000668
Cabin Road, SE
January 22 9:28 p.m.

A resident reported that a stranger was contacting her teen child via text messages.

Missing Juvenile 24-000674

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

January 22 between 11:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m.

A resident reported her teen child as missing. This case is active and being investigated by CIS.

Suspicious Event 24-000678

400 Block West Court, NW

January 23 8:17 a.m.

A resident wanted to make a police report of an ongoing civil dispute.

Arrest - Noise Violation - 24-000720

400 Block Maple Avenue, West

January 24 5:56 a.m.

A resident reported that a trash truck was picking up commercial dumpsters outside of the allowed hours in violation of the Town of Vienna Noise Ordinance. As a result, officers were dispatched to the scene to address the noise violation. Upon arriving, officers confirmed that the trash truck was indeed violating the noise ordinance. Consequently, the driver, a 60-year-old man from Sugarland Run Drive in Sterling, was charged with violating the Town of Vienna noise ordinance and later released on his signature.

Petit Larceny 24-000773

800 Block Cottage Street, SW

January 25 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:30 a.m.

A resident reported that someone stole her trash cans from the street.

Arrest – Drunk in Public and Narcotics Violation - 24-000798

200 Block James Drive, SW

January 26 3:01 a.m.

Police officers were dispatched to investigate a report of a suspicious vehicle that was playing loud music and shining a flashlight in the area. Upon speaking with the driver, the officer noticed signs of impairment. Additionally, there was a juvenile present in the car. After conducting a search of the vehicle, drugs were found inside.

Officer Temple arrested the 19-year-old man from Barrick Street in Fairfax. He was then taken to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where five warrants were issued and executed against him. The warrants were issued for the charges of distributing drugs to minors, contributing to the delinquency of a minor, possessing marijuana while being underage, drunk in public, and possessing tobacco products as a minor. The man was kept in custody on a \$2,500 secured bond and was later handed over to the custody of the Fairfax County Sheriff's Office.

CASE UPDATES

None

CRASHES

Maple Avenue, East / Center Street, South 23-000624

January 21 4:20 p.m.

Vehicles 1 and 2 were traveling on Maple Avenue approaching the Center Street, South intersection. Vehicle-1 failed to stop before rear-ending Vehicle-2. Minor damaged was reported.

Park Street, SE / Patrick Street, SE 23-000637

January 22 7:23 a.m.

Vehicle-1 and 2 were traveling Northbound on Park Street, SE approaching Patrick Street, SE intersection. Vehicle-2 applied their brakes but Vehicle-1 failed to stop before rear-ending Vehicle-2. Minor damaged was reported.

Lawyers Road, NW / West Street, NW 23-000642

January 22 11:10 a.m.

Vehicle-2 was heading southbound on Lawyers Road, NW and approaching the intersection with West Street, NW. At the same time, Vehicle-1 was traveling eastbound on West Street, NW. Vehicle-1 failed to come to a complete stop at the intersection of West St./Lawyers Rd. NW, and pulled into the path of Vehicle-2, resulting in a collision. Vehicle-2 crashed into Vehicle-1 due to this sudden movement by Vehicle-1.

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

Nutley Street SW/Courthouse Road, SW 23-000679

January 23 8:30 a.m.

Two vehicles collided at the intersection of Courthouse Road, SW and Nutley Street, SW. Vehicle-1 was heading westbound on Courthouse Road, SW while Vehicle-2 was traveling southbound on Nutley Street, SW. Vehicle-1 attempted to make a left turn onto Nutley Street, SW while Vehicle-2 was crossing the same intersection leading to a collision in the middle of the intersection causing significant damage to both vehicles. Both drivers claimed they had a green light at the time of collision. Fortunately, no injuries were reported.

Please contact Ruth Rohr 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

Detective B. Reedy, #119
215 Center Street South, Vienna VA 22180
Bradley.Reedy@Viennava.gov
(703) 386-4008

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/>.

