



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

May 31, 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 May 24, 2024 to May 30, 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

Vandalism 24-005605

100 Block Patrick Street, SW

May 20 1:45 p.m.

On May 25, a resident reported his security camera recorded a young male vandalizing his vehicle on May 20. The individual broke a brake light and jumped on the roof of his vehicle.

Vandalism 24-005428

100 Block Patrick Street, SW

May 20 2:33 p.m.

A resident reported someone entered his unlocked shed, removed a fire extinguisher and sprayed it, then left it on the ground. Nothing else in the shed appeared to have been taken or disturbed.

Found Property 24-005568

300 Block Maple Avenue, West

May 24 10:52 a.m.

A citizen found a wallet in a parking lot.

Arrest – Solicitor 24-005581

400 Block Adahi Road, SE

May 24 4:15 p.m.

A resident reported a solicitor in the neighborhood. PFC Reed located the man in the 300 Block of Adahi Road, SE, and found he was soliciting without a Town Solicitor's Permit. PFC Reed issued a summons to the 34-year-old man with no fixed address charging Soliciting without a License. The man was released on his signature.

Suspicious Event 24-5591

300 Block Locust Street, SE

May 24 10:25 p.m.

A resident reported their daughter observed a man in their front yard taking pictures of the inside of the home. Officers searched the area but did not locate the man.

Domestic Dispute 24-005609

Princeton Terrace, SW

May 25 2:30 p.m.

Officers responded to a verbal dispute between a resident and her juvenile son.

Juvenile Case 24-005624

Viva!Vienna!

Dominion Road and Church Street, NE

May 25 9:50 p.m.

A juvenile reported he was with his friends at Viva!Vienna! when another juvenile approached him and struck him. The second juvenile reported the group had been following him around the festival, antagonizing him. He denied assaulting the first juvenile and there were no signs of injury. The parties were advised to avoid any further contact with each other.

Petit Larceny 24-005680

Viva!Vienna!

111 Church Street, NW

Between May 26 at 6:00 p.m. and May 27 at 8:00 a.m.

A Viva!Vienna! vendor reported someone stole her tent and business sign overnight.

Open Door 24-005669

800 Block Meadow Lane, SW

May 26 10:47 p.m.

Officers responding to a residential alarm found an open door. The officers searched the residence and found nothing appeared to have been disturbed.

Found Property 24-005683

300 Locust Street, SE

May 27 9:53 a.m.

A resident found a backpack in the bushes near his building.

Suspicious Event 24-005691

Viva!Vienna!

Church Street and Mill Street, NE

May 27 1:54 p.m.

A vendor running the Viva!Vienna! carnival reported someone attempted to purchase tickets with a fraudulent bill. The cashier recognized the bill as fraudulent and the man completed his purchase with a credit card.

Destruction of Property 24-005707

Chase Bank

315 Maple Avenue, East

May 28 9:00 a.m.

Co-workers advised an employee of an unknown woman by his vehicle in the parking lot. The employee and co-workers confronted the woman who was using a key to vandalize his vehicle. The woman was agitated and screaming at the man. The woman then got in her vehicle and drove away. This case is under investigation.

Found Property 24-005709

**Vienna Police Station
215 Center Street, South
May 28 10:17 a.m.**

A member of the Rotary Club turned in several items, including credit cards and other miscellaneous items found during Viva!Vienna!.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 24-005731

**300 Block Maple Avenue, East
May 28 10:25 p.m.**

An officer responded to the report of a suspicious person. Upon his interaction with the man, the officer detected signs of intoxication. Ofc. Ludwick arrested the 43-year-old man from East Street, NE. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Drunk In Public.

Police Service 24-005734

**300 Block Orchard Street, NW
May 28 10:57 p.m.**

An officer served an Emergency Protective Order on a resident.

Police Service 24-005750

**311 Maple Avenue, East
May 29 12:08 p.m.**

An officer responded to assist a citizen who accidentally locked her child in the vehicle. The officer quickly opened the door and the child was unharmed.

Solicitor 24-005761

**400 Block Glyndon Street, NE
May 29 1:35 p.m.**

A resident reported a man soliciting without a Town of Vienna license. An officer located the man and advised him of the Town ordinance regarding solicitors. An officer transported the man to a local shopping center where he boarded a bus and left the area.

Animal Case 24-005771

**200 Block Audreys Court, SE
May 29 4:52 p.m.**

A resident reported a sick fox in his yard. An officer found the fox was in grave condition and euthanized the animal.

Missing Person 24-005812

600 Block Tapawingo Road, SW

May 30 4:35 p.m.

A man approached an officer asking for assistance in getting home. A check of the man's identification showed he was entered as missing from Fairfax County. Family members were notified and responded to take him home.

CASE UPDATES

None

CRASHES

Center Street and Church Street, NE 24-005436

May 19 4:00 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling northbound on Center Street at the intersection of Church Street, NE. Vehicle-1 ran the stop sign and struck Vehicle-2, then fled the scene without stopping.

537 Maple Avenue, West 24-005473

May 21 2:29 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was parked in a parking space in the lot. Vehicle-2, a Town of Vienna Police cruiser, was stopped behind Vehicle-1. Vehicle-1 backed into Vehicle-2.

300 Block Park Street, NE 24-005685

May 26 11:00 a.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked on Park Street, NE. Vehicle-1 struck Vehicle-2 then fled the scene without stopping.

300 Block Mill Street, NE 24-005698

May 27 8:04 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling southbound on Mill Street when it ran off the road and struck a post.

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

111 Center Street, South 24-005774

May 29 6:00 p.m.

Two vehicles were parked in the parking lot. Vehicle-1 backed into Vehicle-2 and fled the scene without stopping.

319 Maple Avenue, East 24-005777

May 29 9:02 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked in the parking lot. Vehicle-1 struck Vehicle-2 and fled the scene without stopping.

Maple Avenue and Lawyers Road, NW 24-005814

May 30 7:47 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling southbound on Lawyers Road. Vehicle-2 was in the eastbound left lane of Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 struck the rear of Vehicle-2 causing minor damage. Vehicle-1 continued through the intersection and stopped in a parking lot to exchange information. Vehicle-2 fled the scene without stopping.

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



The Vienna Police Department Launches Stop Sign Enforcement Campaign

The Vienna Police Department is launching its annual traffic safety campaign, focusing on enforcing all traffic laws, particularly those related to stop signs. Officers will be vigilant in issuing tickets and reminding drivers of the importance of coming to a complete stop when encountering a solid or flashing red light or a stop sign, ensuring they halt before entering the crosswalk, intersection, or stop line. In certain situations, such violations may be considered reckless driving and result in citations by the police.

Drivers caught violating stop signs or red-light regulations will face fines and receive three demerit points on their driving records. The Vienna Police Department urges all drivers to adopt a defensive and courteous approach on the road while adhering to all traffic regulations, thereby ensuring safe arrival at their destinations.

STOP MEANS STOP!

**For Further Information please contact
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at juan.vazquez@viennava.gov or 703. 255. 7845**

TOWN OF VIENNA POLICE DEPARTMENT



Crash Investigation

As we see a rise in these cases across the area and the country, we would like to share this important

On Wednesday, April 24th, 2024, at approximately 6:43 p.m., a serious pedestrian accident occurred at Church Street and East Street in the Town of Vienna. The police department is seeking your help. If you witnessed the incident or have a security camera that might have recorded it, please contact the Vienna Police Department at (703) 255-6366 and mention case number 2024-4331.

FBI Public Service Announcement and make the community aware.

Vienna Police Department



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Alert Number

I-091223-PSA

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

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

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

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

VIOLENT ONLINE GROUPS

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

TARGETING

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

EXTORTION AND SELF-HARM

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

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

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

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

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

- Monitor children's online activity and discuss risks associated with sharing personal content.
- Use discretion when posting images, videos, and personal content online, particularly those that include children or their information.
 - Images, videos, or personal information posted online can be captured, manipulated, and distributed by malicious actors without your knowledge or consent.

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

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

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

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

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children provides a free service known as **Take It Down**, which helps minor victims, even if they are now an adult, but were victimized as a minor, with online image or video files, remove or stop the online sharing of nude, or sexually explicit content taken while under 18 years old. For more information, visit <https://takeitdown.ncmec.org>.

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

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

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

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

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

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



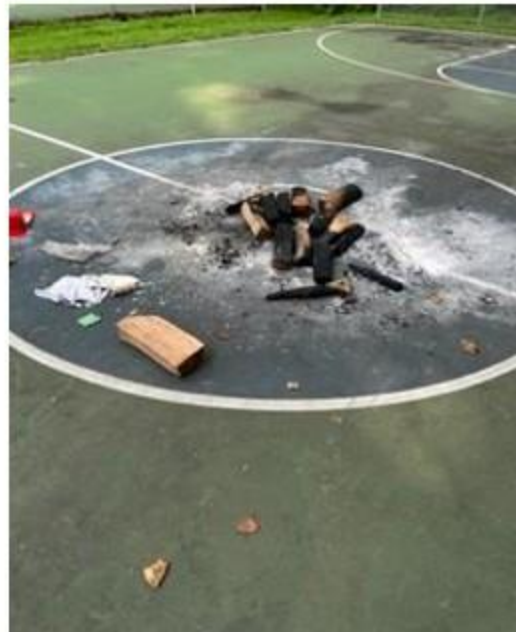
Vienna Police Department

INFORMATION BULLETIN

FOR PUBLIC DISSEMINATION

DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY

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



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

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Vienna Police Department



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

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

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

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

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

