



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

June 14, 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 June 7, 2024 to June 13, 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

Vehicle Tampering 24-006315

100 Block Saint Andrews, NE

Between May 6 8:00 p.m. and May 7 2:09 p.m.

A resident reported that someone entered her unlocked vehicle and stole some US currency.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 24-006264

Whole Foods

143 Maple Avenue, East

May 30 12:00 p.m.

The police department received several phone calls from citizens requesting police assistance with a man who was acting disorderly in public. An officer located the man near Jiffy Lube (210 Maple Avenue West). During the interaction with the man, the officer determined that the man needed immediate medical attention. The man was placed into custody and transported to a nearby medical facility.

Juvenile 24-006123

300 Block Park Street, SE

June 5 8:10 p.m.

A resident requested police assistance with their teenage daughter.

Vehicle Tampering 24-006134

500 Block Ware Street, SW

June 6 between 12:00 am and 7:00 a.m.

A citizen called the police to report that someone had shattered a window of their vehicle and attempted to start the car but was unsuccessful. Nothing was missing from the vehicle.

Solicitor 24-006151

400 Block Ayr Hill Ave. NE

June 6 3:43 p.m.

Police officers stopped an ice cream truck due to violating the noise ordinance and soliciting without a permit. Upon inspection, it was discovered that the truck's tags had expired, and the driver lacked the mandatory Town of Vienna Solicitor Permit. The driver agreed to stop operating the truck and return it to the depot until he gets the necessary permit and updates the vehicle registration.

Shoplifting 24-006200

Wawa

465 Maple Avenue, West

June 7 between 10:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m.

An employee reported that juveniles had just stolen items from the store. The store employee detained the juveniles until police arrived on the scene.

Trespassing 24-006202

Skorpio's Maggio's Greek Family Restaurant

421 Maple Ave, East

June 7 11:30 a.m.

An employee requested police assistance to trespass a person in the presence of police. The person understood they could not return to the business and left the area without further incident.

Arrest - Drunk in Public - 24-006227

600 Block Courthouse Road, NE

June 7 8:29 p.m.

Officers were dispatched to assist medical personnel who were on the scene with a man who was found passed out on the sidewalk. Once the man was examined by the medical personnel and released, officers spoke with the man. During the interactions, officers noticed that the man was intoxicated and unable to care for himself.

Officer Harshfield arrested the 24-year-old man from Boulder Drive in Richmond, Virginia. The man was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. A warrant for Drunk in Public was issued and served. The man was remanded to the custody of the Fairfax County Sheriff.

Lost Property 24-006281

Vienna Community Center

120 Cherry Street, SE

June 8 7:50 p.m.

A person walked into the Vienna Police Station and reported losing his wallet at the farmers market.

Vehicle Tampering 24-006314

100 Block Saint Andrews, NE

Between June 8 8:00 p.m. and June 9 2:09 p.m.

A resident reported that an individual had gained unauthorized access to her vehicle and stolen some valuable electronics.

Vandalism 24-006311

Marshall Road Elementary School

730 Marshall Road, SW

June 9 10:16 a.m.

Officers were dispatched to the school for graffiti found in different areas of the school. School security reported the graffiti and advised that it would be cleaned up before school started the next day.

Suspicious Event 24-006355

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

June 10 2:34 a.m.

Officers responded to reports of an active fight, but upon arrival, they did not observe any ongoing altercation. After speaking to the two men at the scene, they established that no fight had occurred. The men agreed to go inside their apartments for the rest of the night.

Suspicious Event 24-006359

300 Block Lawyers Road, NW

June 10 7:35 a.m.

A tenant at this address requested police assistance to report an incident involving the landlord.

Found Property 24-006373

200 Block Mill Street, NE

June 10 11:51 a.m.

A person turned in a key they found in the area.

Drunk in Public 24-006390

311 Maple Avenue, East

June 10 6:50 p.m.

Officers responded to a report of a man arguing with a 7-11 employee. The man had left the store before the police arrived but was located at the Michaels store. Upon interaction with the individual, officers noted signs of intoxication and an inability on the man's part to attend to his well-being. Additionally, the man was wanted by another police jurisdiction.

Officer Smith arrested the 32-year-old man from Mine Run Drive, Great Falls, Virginia, for being drunk in public and having an outstanding warrant. He was turned over to the custody of the Fairfax County Sheriff's Office.

Juvenile 24-006392

400 Block Roland Ct, SW

June 10 9:20 p.m.

Officers responded to reports of a suspicious person making noise in the area. Officers made contact with a juvenile that was responsible for the unusual noise reported. The parent of the juvenile was contacted and responded to pick up their son and transport him back home.

Police Service 24-006411

600 Block Kearney Court, SW

June 11 11:02 a.m.

An individual surrendered firearms that belonged to an elderly citizen to be destroyed.

Police Service 24-006425
360 Maple Avenue, West
June 11 3:06 p.m.

A report was made about a parked vehicle with two unattended juveniles. Officers determined that the juveniles were not in danger, and their mother returned shortly after that.

Trespassing 24-006429
Patrick Henry Library
101 Maple Avenue, East
June 11 3:23 p.m.

An employee requested police assistance because a person was refusing to leave the library after being asked to do so for being disorderly. Police arrived at the scene, located the person, and advised them that they had been legally trespassed from the library. The person left without any further incidents.

Assist Fire/EMS 24-006472
900 Block Hillcrest Drive, SW
June 12 12:26 p.m.

Officers responded to the residence to assist medical personnel in helping an intoxicated, combative female. The female was cleared medically and advised that she did not want police assistance.

Animal Case 24-006475
300 Block Locust Street, SE
June 12 between 1:40 p.m. and 1:49 p.m.

A person reported that she was bitten on her leg by a dog.

Drunk in Public 24-006577
262 Cedar Lane, SE
June 13 2:22 p.m.

While on patrol, Officer Garcia observed a man crossing the street, not at a crosswalk. The man was unsteady walking, forcing two vehicles to swerve to avoid hitting him. Upon speaking with the individual, the officer noticed signs of intoxication and the man's inability to take care of himself.

Subsequently, Officer Garcia apprehended the 47-year-old man, who had no fixed address. The individual was then taken to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. A new warrant for being Drunk in Public was issued and executed. The man was then placed under the custody of the Fairfax County Sheriff.

Suspicious Event 24-006539

Mcdonalds

544 Maple Avenue, West

June 13 3:07 p.m.

A customer reported that a group of teens threw ice at him.

Suspicious Event 24-006581

300 Block Lawyers Road, NW

June 13 3:00 p.m.

An officer spoke via phone with a family member of an emotionally disturbed person.

Suspicious Event 24-006626

400 Block Johnson Street, SW

June 13 10:42 p.m.

The resident wished to report a suspicious incident that occurred on a previous date.

CASE UPDATES

None

CRASHES

Maple Avenue, West / Lawyers Road, NW 24-004964

May 8 5:58 p.m.

3 vehicles were on Lawyers Rd, NW at the light/intersection of Maple Ave, West, and Lawyers Rd, NW. When the light turned green, the driver of vehicle 1 wanted to go straight from the left turn lane. As Vehicle-3 was going straight, Vehicle-1 turned into Vehicle-3. Vehicle-2 partially side-swiped Vehicle-1.

Hit and Run - 415 Church Street, NE 24-005883

May 30 7:00 p.m.

A vehicle rear-ended another vehicle inside a parking lot.

Maple Avenue, East / Branch Road, SE 24-005934

June 2 6:50 p.m.

A vehicle was turning left from Branch Rd, SE onto Maple Ave, East, and struck a pedestrian in the crosswalk. The driver of the vehicle stated that the pedestrian appeared out of nowhere.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Fail To Yield To A Pedestrian.

1030 Maple Avenue, East 24-006067

June 4 5:12 p.m.

A vehicle was traveling south on the service road. The driver of a vehicle traveling south on the service road said a truck was approaching in the opposite direction. He moved closer to the right to avoid a collision and struck an unoccupied parked vehicle.

Center Street, South / Maple Avenue, West 24-006129

June 6 1:10 a.m.

Vehicle-1 was starting from a stop at Center Street, N going southbound through Maple Ave, West, and struck another vehicle-2 going eastbound on Maple Ave, W in the rightmost lane.

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

235 Maple Avenue, West 24-006158

June 6 6:15 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling east on Maple Ave, W. A vehicle was driving in the turning lane to turn into a business. Another vehicle attempted to change from the left lane into that same turning lane striking the other vehicle.

Cottage Street, SW / Kingsley Road, SW 24-006157

June 6 6:02 p.m.

One vehicle traveling east on Kingsley Rd, SW, was hit by another vehicle going north on Cottage St, SW.

226 Maple Avenue, West 24-006178

June 7 8:00 a.m.

While at a complete stop at the intersection of Maple Ave, W and Courthouse Rd, SW at a red traffic light, Vehicle-2 was rear-ended by Vehicle-1. The driver of Vehicle 1 attempted to stop but did not stop in time.

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

223 Dominon Road, NE 24-006213

June 7 1:48 p.m.

A vehicle that was parked and unoccupied was hit by another vehicle attempting to park beside it.

418 Maple Avenue, East 24-006447

June 12 3:59 a.m.

A vehicle was traveling westbound on Maple Ave, East, and ran off the road striking a curb, flowers, trees, and a light pole. The vehicle continued driving west on Maple Ave, East until the driver was stopped by a police officer.

112 Moore Avenue, SW 24-006580

June 13 1:28 p.m.

Vehicle 1 stopped at 112 Moore Ave, SW. Vehicle 2 stopped directly behind vehicle 1. Vehicle 1 reversed and struck vehicle 2.

Maple Avenue, East / Mashie Drive, SE 24-006489

June 13 3:33 p.m.

Vehicles 1 and 2 traveled north on Maple Ave, East approaching Mashie Dr, SE. Vehicle 3 was making a right turn onto Mashie Drive causing traffic to stop, the driver of Vehicle 1 could not stop on time and rear-ended Vehicle 2.

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

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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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**



Public Service Announcement

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION



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/>.

