



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

August 9, 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 August 2, 2024 to August 8, 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

Arrest – Warrant Service 24-008741

America's Best Wings

262 Cedar Lane, SE

July 30 4:54 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a disorderly customer at America's Best Wings. When the restaurant owner requested the man leave, the man assaulted him and then went to the Red Bird Restaurant at 282 Cedar Lane, SE where he continued to act disorderly. Upon the officer's interaction with the man, they found he had an outstanding warrant in Fairfax County. The man was trespassed from both restaurants. The restaurant owner declined to pursue assault charges.

MPO Shaw arrested the 38-year-old man from Yancy Drive in Falls Church, Virginia. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the warrant charging Petit Larceny was served on him and he was released on an unsecured bond.

Petit Larceny 24-008778

Vienna Community Center

120 Cherry Street, SE

July 31 between 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

A juvenile reported their bicycle was stolen from the Community Center, where they had left it unsecured.

Animal Case – Quarantine 24-008841

Hope Advanced Veterinary Center

140 Park Street, SE

August 1 10:00 p.m.

A dog bit an employee during a medical procedure. The owner of the dog was advised of the 10-day quarantine.

Grand Larceny 24-008842

Michaels

311 Maple Avenue, East

August 2 10:30 a.m.

A woman left her purse unattended in the shopping cart while she was shopping at Michaels. When she went to the register she found her wallet was stolen. A short time later, fraudulent charges were attempted on two of her credit cards at CVS at 337 Maple Avenue, East. *Reference Incident #24-008845.*

Missing Adult 24-008839

200 Block Nutley Street, NW

August 2 between 11:00 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.

A resident reported he came home and found his mother's vehicle in the driveway with the doors open and she was missing. The woman returned a short time later after being out with friends.

Petit Larceny 24-008845

Giant Food

359 Maple Avenue, East

August 2 11:30 a.m.

A woman left her purse unattended in her cart at Giant when she was approached by another woman asking for assistance in locating an item. The woman discovered her wallet was stolen when she went to the register. *Reference Incident #24-008842.*

Petit Larceny 24-009024

1000 Block Hillcrest Drive, SW

Between August 2 at 12:00 p.m. and August 5 at 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported someone stole a Trump flag that she had attached to a tree in her yard.

Suspicious Event 24-008846

500 Block Windover Avenue, NW

August 2 7:46 p.m.

A resident reported that someone had been going through her trash after she placed it out for pickup. The individual repackaged the trash and left it on her porch with messages. The resident believes this may be part of an ongoing dispute with a neighbor.

Juvenile Case 24-008858

Cedar Lane School

101 Cedar Lane, SW

August 3 12:00 a.m.

A citizen observed a 2-year-old child walking alone on the sidewalk and immediately called for police assistance. Officers located the child's mother who was frantically searching for him in the parking lot of the apartments in the 200 block of Cedar Lane, SE. The mother explained the child had learned to open the apartment door and that she woke during the night and found he had left the home. The officers discussed safety measures with the mother to better secure and childproof the residence.

Arrest – Alcohol Violation 24-008880

Glengyle Drive and Chain Bridge Road

August 3 4:28 p.m.

An officer observed a vehicle with expired registration and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the occupants, he observed open cans of alcohol in the vehicle, however, the driver showed no signs of impairment.

PFC Garcia issued a summons to the 22-year-old man from Glengyle Drive in Vienna charging Driving with an Open Container of Alcohol and released him on his signature.

Open Door 24-008882
100 Block Elmar Drive, SW
August 3 5:52 p.m.

Officers responding to a residential alarm found an open door. The residence was searched and the officers found nothing suspicious.

Petit Larceny 24-008945
7-11
537 Maple Avenue, West
August 3 6:30 p.m.

On August 5, an employee reported a shoplifting that occurred over the weekend when three teenage males entered the store and stole alcohol.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 24-008885
100 Block Patrick Street, SE
August 3 6:53 p.m.

A resident reported a man was attempting to enter his residence. Officers located the man in front of another apartment. Upon the officer's interaction with the man, they detected signs of impairment.

PFC Rodriguez arrested the 37-year-old man from Patrick Street, SE in Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Drunk In Public.

Petit Larceny 24-008886
Walgreens
225 Maple Avenue, East
August 3 6:54 p.m.

The manager of the store reported three males entered the store, stole five packs of alcohol, and then fled the area in a vehicle.

Arrest – Domestic Assault 24-008904
Whispering Wind Court, SE
August 3 10:30 p.m.

On August 4, a resident reported that her husband had assaulted her the night before. The resident showed visible signs of injury.

MPO Shaw arrested the 50-year-old man from Whispering Wind Court, SE in Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Domestic Assault and served with an Emergency Protective Order.

Suspicious Event 24-008903
2400 Block Oak Vale Court, NW
August 4 1:01 p.m.

A resident found a large bone in their backyard. An officer found the bone was a beef bone sold at most pet stores for dogs.

Juvenile Case 24-008905
Park Street, SE
August 4 between 2:00 p.m. and 2:25 p.m.

Officers responded to assist residents with their juvenile daughter who was acting out in the home.

Suspicious Event 24-008996
700 Block Skyline Court, NE
August 5 between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.

On August 6, a resident reported an incident from the previous day when two men in a van drove past her home recording the house and yard.

Counterfeiting 24-008947
Wawa
465 Maple Avenue, West
August 5 1:29 p.m.

An employee reported a teen male entered the store and attempted to purchase a gift card using fake bills. The teen quickly left the store when the cashier advised him the money was fake.

Trespassing 24-008964
Wawa
465 Maple Avenue, West
August 5 9:32 p.m.

An employee reported a man was inside the store asking customers for money. When asked to leave the store, he stood in the middle of the parking lot refusing to move for vehicles and almost getting struck multiple times. At the request of the management, the man was trespassed from the premises.

Suspicious Event 24-009017
500 Block Kibler Circle, SW
Between August 6 at 7:30 p.m. and August 7 at 7:30 a.m.

A resident found one of the windows on his vehicle was shattered. The incident may have been caused by a BB gun.

Police Service 24-009013

Glyndon Street, SE

August 7 12:40 a.m.

Officers responded to check on the welfare of a man who was upset. The man did not require any immediate assistance and was left in the care of his relatives.

Petit Larceny 24-009022

Panera Bread

136 Maple Avenue, West

August 7 8:54 a.m.

An employee reported a man stole a tip box from the store.

Police Service 24-009026

600 Block Druid Hill Road, NE

August 7 1:02 p.m.

A resident turned in a firearm for destruction.

Suspicious Event 24-009038

Park Street, NE

August 7 7:18 p.m.

A resident reported ongoing harassment their son is experiencing from other juveniles.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 24-009041

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

August 7 8:08 p.m.

An officer observed a man drinking alcohol in the parking lot. Upon his interaction with the man, he detected signs of intoxication.

PFC Rodriguez arrested the 51-year-old man with no fixed address. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Drunk In Public.

Suspicious Event 24-009043

Nutley Street near Maple Avenue, SW

August 7 8:30 p.m.

A juvenile went to the Chick-Fil-A at 540 Maple Avenue, West, and called the police for assistance after a man approached her in a vehicle acting suspiciously while she was walking northbound on Nutley Street, South. The juvenile has recently had unusual texts from someone she believes may be a former acquaintance and believes this encounter may be related. An officer remained with the juvenile until her parent arrived to transport her home. They were advised of the process to obtain a protective order.

Suspicious Event 24-009046

Johnson Street, SW

August 7 10:40 p.m.

Officers responded to the residence to check on the welfare of a man who called 911 and made concerning statements. After speaking to the man and his relatives it was determined he did not require any police or medical assistance. Officers responded to the home a short time later when the man again called 911. Again, there was no need for assistance. The residents were provided with resources and mental health support services available to them.

CASE UPDATES

None

CRASHES

Church Street and Glyndon Street, NE 24-008482

July 24 4:23 p.m.

Vehicle-2 (a pickup truck with a trailer) was turning left from Glyndon Street onto Church Street. Vehicle-1 was turning right from Church Street onto Glyndon Street, disregarded the stop sign, and collided with Vehicle-1 causing minor damage to his vehicle.

116 Maple Avenue, West 24-008577

July 26 5:00 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was legally parked in the parking lot. Vehicle-2 sideswiped Vehicle-1 and fled the scene without providing their information.

Nutley Street and Marshall Road, NW 24-008578

July 26 6:47 p.m.

Vehicle-2 and Vehicle-3 were stopped at the red traffic light for Nutley Street at Marshall Road. Vehicle-1 was traveling southbound on Nutley Street, ran into the rear of Vehicle-2, and pushed it into the rear of Vehicle-3.

Driver-1 was issued two summonses charging Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention and No Driver's License.

Lawyers Road and Maple Avenue, NW 24-008722

July 30 9:53 p.m.

Two vehicles collided in the turn left turn lane on Maple Avenue at Lawyers Road.

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE 24-008834

August 2 10:33 a.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked in front of the apartment complex. Vehicle-1 struck Vehicle-2 and fled the scene without providing their information.

101 Maple Avenue, East 24-009019

August 2 3:28 p.m.

Vehicle-1 (a Town of Vienna Police cruiser) struck a low parking block in the parking lot, causing damage to the front bumper.

300 Block Maple Avenue, West 24-008869

August 3 9:53 a.m.

Two vehicles were traveling eastbound on Maple Avenue toward Pleasant Street. Vehicle-2 slowed for a vehicle exiting the parking lot of 328 Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2 causing minor damage.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging No Valid Driver's License in Possession.

Maple Avenue and Liberty Lane, SW 24-008908

August 4 4:37 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling eastbound on Maple Avenue approaching Liberty Lane. Vehicle-1 was westbound on Maple Avenue, attempting to turn left onto Liberty Lane when the two vehicles collided causing minor damage to both vehicles.

900 Block Ware Street, SW 24-008910

August 4 5:46 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling northbound on Ware Street when the driver was distracted, crossed into the southbound lane, over the curb, and struck two trees.

Maple Avenue and Nutley Street, NW 24-008913

August 4 7:59 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-2 slowed to turn right on the Nutley and yielded to a pedestrian to clear the crosswalk. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

100 Block Maple Avenue, West 24-008992

August 6 1:49 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound in the right lane of Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

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

Mill Street and Church Street, NE 24-009034

August 7 4:11 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was southbound on Mill Street entering the intersection with Church Street when they were struck by Vehicle-1.

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 or 703-255-6324.

CITIZEN NOTES



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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

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.



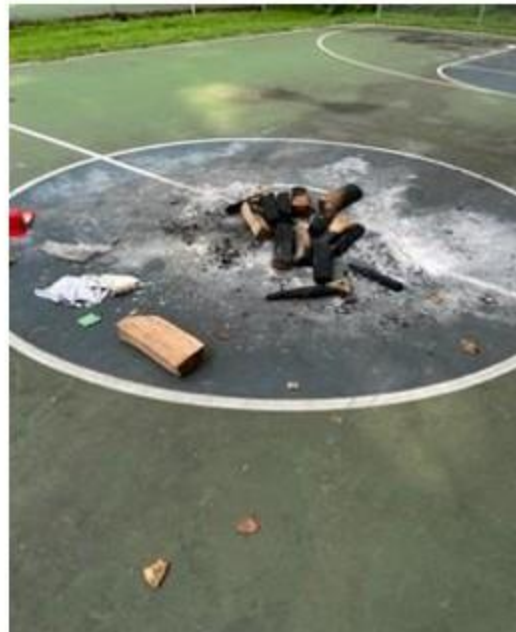
Vienna Police Department

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/>.

