

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

November 20, 2020

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from November 13, 2020 – November 19, 2020. Readers are reminded that an "arrest" is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that 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 Ruth Rohr for further information at Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov)

In the last few weeks, the Town of Vienna Police Department responded to multiple cases of vehicle tamperings and stolen vehicles. In almost every case, the vehicle was left unlocked and/or keys left inside. The criminals responsible for these thefts target unlocked vehicles to steal valuables, money, electronics, etc., and all it takes is them pulling on the door handle of an unlocked car. They rarely break into a locked vehicle. Vienna police officers proactively patrol all areas of the town to protect its citizens and their property and would like your assistance in curbing this crime of opportunity by removing all valuables from your vehicles, removing all keys (to include valet keys), and report suspicious activity immediately by calling 703-255-6366 or 911.

<u>INCIDENTS</u>

Forgery 20-008597 100 Block Cherry Circle, SW

Between September 28 at 12:00 p.m. and November 6 at 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported that a check he had mailed was stolen, forged, and cashed.

Lost Property 20-008584 300 Block Holmes Drive, NW

Between November 3 at 12:00 p.m. and November 4 at 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported that he lost his wallet.

Domestic Assault 20-008540 Nutley Street, NW November 13 7:44 a.m.

Officers responded to the report of two brothers fighting each other. Neither of the men showed any sign of injury. They were both advised of the warrant process should they wish to pursue charges.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 20-008543

Owaissa Road, SE

November 13 12:23 p.m.

A contractor was at a house with a new property owner discussing renovations when he was approached by a resident who began yelling at them for being on the property. The resident then exposed himself to the contractor. Officers spoke to the resident, who appeared very agitated. The resident's mother was able to help calm him down and he agreed to go back into his house with her. The contractor did not wish to pursue charges for the exposure.

Animal Case 20-008547 500 Block MacArthur Avenue, NE November 13 3:36 p.m.

A resident found a dog running at large in the area earlier in the day. After several unsuccessful attempts to locate an owner, the dog was transported to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter.

Destruction of Property 20-008560 900 Block Ware Street, SW

Between November 13 at 6:00 p.m. and November 14 at 12:00 p.m.

A property owner reported that a new home that she recently had built was vandalized by someone with paint.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated and Accident 20-008549 400 Block Maple Avenue, East November 13 8:49 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-2 was in the right lane. Vehicle-1 was in the center turn lane when the driver turned right and sideswiped Vehicle-2. Upon the officer's interaction with the Driver-1, he detected signs of impairment. Driver-1 failed to complete a series of field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest.

PFC Murray transported Driver-1, a 38-year-old woman from Presidents Landing Way in Gainesville, Virginia, to the Vienna Police Station where she provided a sample of her breath for analysis. The woman was then transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Stolen Vehicle 20-008573

Stemtree

220 Maple Avenue, West

Between November 14 at 2:00 p.m. and November 16 at 8:00 a.m.

The owner of the education center reported that their van was stolen from the parking lot of their business. *Reference Incident #20-008573*.

Arrest - Noise Violation 20-008555

Starbucks

362 Maple Avenue, East

November 14 11:04 p.m.

An officer responded to the report of a commercial truck unloading in violation of the Town's ordinance. MPO Tremont issued a summons to the 41-year-old man from Wilson Bridge Drive in Oxon Hill, Maryland charging Unloading a Commercial Vehicle Within 300' of a Residence After 11:00 p.m. The man was released on his signature.

Police Service 20-008562

Maple Avenue and Center Street, NW

November 15 12:25 p.m.

An officer responded to the report of a possibly intoxicated driver. Concerned citizens blocked the man's vehicle after observing him drive very slow and erratically on Maple Avenue. Upon the officer's interaction with the man, it became apparent that the man was suffering a medical emergency, and rescue personnel responded to the scene to treat the man. The man quickly responded to medical treatment.

Burglary 20-008568

Exxon Gas Station

395 Maple Avenue, East

Between November 15 at 11:00 p.m. and November 16 at 6:00 a.m.

Someone forced entry into the gas station, damaged the ATM, damaged the cash register, and stole the cash drawer containing money from the register. Security video showed the individuals left the gas station in a van. It was later determined that the van involved was stolen. *Reference Incident #20-008573*.

Vandalism 20-008575

100 Block Cherry Circle, SW

November 16 between 1:00 a.m. and 9:45 a.m.

A resident reported that someone threw eggs at her vehicle while it was parked in her driveway.

Suicide Attempt 20-008567

Westbriar Drive, NE

November 16 1:31 a.m.

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with a resident who had overdosed on an unknown medication. The man was transported to an area medical facility in a non-life-threatening condition.

Grand Larceny 20-008634

Panera Bread

136 Maple Avenue, West, #10

Between November 16 at 1:00 p.m. and November 17 at 8:00 a.m.

A resident went to Panera Bread with her elderly father. Her father placed his wallet on the counter at the cash register and left the restaurant without it. The resident returned to the restaurant to retrieve the wallet but found it had been taken. An employee notified the resident the following day that the wallet was found. US currency and a credit card were missing from the wallet.

Civil Dispute 20-008578

500 Block Princeton Terrace, SW

November 16 2:20 p.m.

A man reported that he received a letter from his landlord thirty days ago stating that she was evicting him. Today he found that he was banned from entering the residence and that all of his belongings were placed outside.

Domestic Dispute 20-008581

Kingsley Road, SW

November 16 3:27 p.m.

Officers responded to a dispute between husband and wife. (Reference #20-008602)

Arrest – Domestic Assault 20-008602

Kingsley Road, SW

November 16 between 9:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

On November 17, a resident reported that she was assaulted by her husband after the police left the home the previous night. The resident sought treatment at a hospital for an injury from the assault. Sgt. Kiley arrested the husband, a 44-year-old man from Kingsley Road, SW, Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Domestic Assault. An Emergency Protective Order was issued against him.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 20-008590

400 Block Maple Avenue, East

November 17 3:56 a.m.

Officers responded to a report of a suicidal man. At the man's request, an officer transported him to an area mental health facility for evaluation and treatment.

Welfare Check 20-008628

Council Drive, NE

November 18 11:43 p.m.

Fairfax County Police Department reported they were on a traffic stop with a man and blood was observed in his vehicle. Their officer requested our department conduct a welfare check on the man's estranged wife. Officers responded and found the woman was safe in her home. The woman had obtained a protective order against her husband and the order was served on him by the Fairfax County Police.

CRASHES

700 Block Nutley Street, SW 20-8441

November 10 11:40 a.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling northbound on Nutley Street approaching Princeton Terrace when the driver ran off the left side of the roadway and struck two trees in the center median. Vehicle-1 came to a stop in the left southbound lane of Nutley.

Maple Avenue and Park Street, NE 20-008624 November 18 12:15 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling northbound on Park Street, crossing over Maple Avenue with the green traffic light. Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound in the right lane of Maple Avenue. Driver-1 disregarded the red traffic light at Park Street and struck Vehicle-2.

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

CASE UPDATES

None

Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information on any of these cases at Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov or 703-255-6324.

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Holy Spirit Catholic School



Trinity Christian School

St. Timothy Catholic School

Donate NEW unwrapped toys, games, books, and gifts to be distributed to children at Fairfax Hospital, Georgetown Lombardi Cancer Center, and to the children in the community who might not otherwise have a cheerful holiday season!

THIS YEAR MORE THAN EVER, WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Please bring your items to any Fairfax County Police Station, any of the above schools, the Lobby of the Pennino and Herrity Office Buildings, or the Government Center, no later than

9:00 a.m. on

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2020

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On November 16, 2020, Governor Northam amended Executive Order #67 that went into effect on the same day. This amended order remains in effect until rescinded or amended by further executive order. Questions, concerns and complaints of violations of this order, should be directed to the VA Department of Health at 1-877-275-8343.

Amended Executive Order #67 Effective 11/16/2020

Amended Executive Order #6/ Effective 11/16/2020

For more information, navigate to https://www.virginia.gov/coronavirus-updates/



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

Operations Modifications in

March 18, 2020

In the interest of public safety for our residents, businesses, and visitors, the Vienna Police Department has modified its operations to increase social distancing and reduce the chance of spreading the COVID-19 virus.

This modified operation entails taking certain police reports for relatively minor and non-violent crimes by telephone. There will be cases where there is no need for evidence collection, not a crime in progress, but the incident still needs to be documented.

If you are calling to file a police report, Communications personnel will ask you questions to help determine if your call meets the criteria for a telephone follow-up and if so, you may be advised that an officer will call you back to assess the need to respond in person or complete the report via telephone. If you feel that an officer is required, you may make that request, and an officer will respond. The incident report over the telephone will go into the same records management system and will be tracked the same as if an officer responded.

If a police officer responds to your location, please be prepared to step outside to meet the officer to encourage social distancing and avoid the spread of the virus.

By using telephone reporting, you will help us limit exposure. We thank you for your understanding and support as we continue to maintain our mission of providing a safe community for all of our citizens, businesses, and visitors.

Out of an abundance of caution, we have also suspended some low-priority services, which include: Ride-Along, PIO public engagements, VIN verifications, and child safety seats installations. Access to our police lobby will be restricted to immediate police assistance only. We do encourage our citizens to call the police department with questions at 703-255-6366 instead of visiting our lobby.

The Vienna Police Department continues to remain staffed, operational, and ready to respond to all emergencies, in-progress incidents, and priority calls. Day and night patrols remain at full strength, so you should not hesitate to call for assistance.

The process of handling some calls for service over the phone and limiting other services is temporary and will be continually reevaluated in the coming weeks.

Thank You, Chief Jim Morris



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Reminder

Prevention of Stolen Vehicles/Vehicle Tamperings

With the advent of warmer weather, the Town of Vienna Police Department would like to remind all Town of Vienna residents to secure their vehicles and personal belongings. Recently there have been several vehicle tamperings to include stolen vehicles from Vienna and the neighboring jurisdictions.

The Vienna Police Department would like to remind citizens of the following steps to assist in the prevention of your vehicle being tampered with or stolen:

Lock your Car Doors.

The majority of the vehicles being entered and/or stolen have been unlocked.

Remove all Valuables.

In most cases, the subjects responsible for these acts have been targeting vehicles that contain valuables such as, but not limited to, laptop computers, GPS's, pocketbooks/purses, loose change, cameras, etc. If you must leave valuables in your vehicle, please be sure to conceal the items, in the trunk, under the seats or use any other means to make them undetectable. Also, make sure to record all serial numbers, and if possible, engrave them or permanently mark the items with easily identifiable markings, in the event the items are recovered.

Remove all Keys.

The subjects who commit these crimes are aware that most new vehicles come with valet keys. Most of these keys are kept inside the vehicles, either in the center consoles, or the glove compartments, or other areas easily accessible. In some instances, the owners have left their keys rings containing their house keys, providing access to their homes.

Report Suspicious Activity

In some cases, the subjects have been observed wearing several layers of clothing, not consistent with the weather conditions. This is used to conceal stolen items and also to make identification difficult as they will shed layers of clothing as they flee the area when they suspect they have been observed committing a crime.

The Town of Vienna Police Department is dedicated to the safety and protection of all persons and property in the Town of Vienna. However, much of our success comes from the assistance of its concerned and observant residents.

**A reminder to secure your vehicles and remove all valuables! **
Even if your vehicle is parked in your driveway, please secure all windows and doors and remove all valuables.



CITIZEN NOTES

Vienna Police Department Construction Project Updates

Updates about the police department construction project will be posted regularly to the "Police Department Renovation" page, located under the Police Department section, at **viennava.gov**, or follow the below link.

** As we move forward with designing and ultimately constructing a new facility, Chief Morris is committed to keeping the Vienna community informed and involved in the process. To begin that effort a link has been established on the police department page of the Town of Vienna website (https://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=1225), and we will be providing regular updates about the process in these Highlights.

Citizens are reminded to PLEASE call and report suspicious activity. Even if you choose not to provide your name or other personal information, we still need your help as extra eyes and ears in the community.

See or Hear Something? Say Something! We *WANT* to be Bothered! Call 9-1-1.