

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

September 30, 2022

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from September 23, 2022 to September 29, 2022. 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 <u>Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov</u>)

On July 1, 2021, citizens will be able to access Community Policing data via <u>https://data.virginia.gov/stories/s/rden-cz3h</u>. 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.

Car Thefts and Tamperings

The National Capital Area and specifically the Northern Virginia area, has seen increased vehicle tampering incidents and vehicle thefts. In some incidents, suspects entered homes through unlocked doors and open garage doors to steal property and keys to vehicles. The suspects then used the vehicle keys to gain entry into vehicles and use them to get away. The Vienna Police Department would like to remind our community members to please stay vigilant, close, and lock all doors of residences and garages to prevent criminals from targeting your property.

If you see suspicious activity or persons, we ask that you notify the police department at 703-255-6366 or, in case of an emergency 9-1-1.

INCIDENTS

Suspicious Event 22-009731Waters Field130 Cherry Street, SEBetween September 17 at 12:00 a.m. and September 18 at 11:00 p.m.A resident reported that the rubber covering on the backstop was unseated. It could not be

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Found Property 22-009646 200 Block Ross Drive, SW September 21 12:00 a.m. A resident found a credit card.

Fraud 22-009586 400 Block Echols Street, SE September 21 12:00 p.m.

A resident received a phone call from a man who claimed to be from a government agency advising him that they observed suspicious transactions in his checking account. The resident recognized the call as a potential scam and immediately notified his bank.

Found Property 22-009585 300 Block Church Street, NE September 21 12:46 p.m. A citizen found a wallet on the sidewalk.

Arrest – Warrant Service 22-009603 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE September 22 9:03 a.m.

An officer observed a man in the parking lot who had an active warrant in Fairfax County. MPO Reedy arrested the 31-year-old man from Patrick Street, SE in Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the County's capias charging Failure to Appear on Domestic Assault was served.

Police Service 22-009605 900 Block Westwood Drive, NE September 22 10:17 a.m.

Officers assisted a resident in gaining entry to her home after she accidentally locked herself out, leaving her young child inside.

Animal Case – Quarantine 22-009788 White Elm Place, Aldie, Virginia September 22 12:00 p.m.

A resident was visiting her daughter in Aldie, Virginia when she was bitten by her dog. ACO Barker advised the owner of the dog of the 10-day quarantine. The case was forwarded to Loudoun County for follow-up on the quarantine.

Suspicious Event 22-009614 1100 Block Lakewood Drive, SW September 22 4:21 p.m.

A resident reported that they were away from their home when their alarm went off earlier in the day. The resident contacted a friend who went to check the residence. The friend noticed that a window was opened a few inches, but it does not appear that entry was gained to the home. An officer found that nothing appeared to have been damaged or disturbed.

Arrest – Assault 22-9618 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE September 22 4:43 p.m.

A resident reported parking his vehicle in the parking lot when he observed two men leaving his apartment. When he asked the men why they were in his apartment, they assaulted him and left the area in a vehicle. Rescue responded and treated the resident.

It was later determined that the men were acquaintances of a woman renting a room from the resident. The officer drove the resident to the magistrate's office to obtain a warrant, charging Assault and Battery. On September 23, MPO Gucwa served the warrant. The 23-year-old man from Patrick Street, SE, in Vienna was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and held on a \$1000 secured bond.

Welfare Check 22-009617 200 Block Locust Street, SE September 22 5:07 p.m.

A citizen reported that his teenage daughter contacted him to advise that her mother did not pick her up from the bus stop as scheduled. The citizen picked up his daughter and transported her to the mother's residence, finding the door unlocked but the chain was latched. After several unsuccessful attempts to contact the mother, the officers entered the residence where they found the woman inside. The woman advised that she had fallen asleep and did not hear the repeated attempts to contact her.

Business Alarm 22-009619 Conte's Bike Shop 204 Mill Street, NE September 22 7:18 p.m.

An officer responding to an alarm at the business found an unsecured door. The officer searched the business and found that nothing appeared to be out of place.

Fraud 22-009791 400 Murray Lane, SE Between September 22 at 8:00 p.m. and September 28 at 10:41 a.m.

A resident reported that someone used her personal information to open a new credit account and purchase a new cell phone.

Arrest -Warrant Service 22-009608 Vienna Police Station 301 Center Street, South September 23 3:38 p.m.

A resident came to the police station to accept service of a warrant. MPO Shaw arrested the 27year-old woman from Cedar Lane, SE in Vienna. She was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the Fairfax County capias charging Failure to Appear on Driving on Suspended was served on her.

Police Service 22-009673

440 Maple Avenue, East

September 24 10:29 a.m.

A dump truck driver struck an awning on the building over the bank deposit area. The awning was partially dislodged from the building and was resting on the truck. Fire & Rescue personnel responded to evaluate the structural integrity of the awning.

Trespassing 22-009674 Caboose Brewing Company & Tavern 520 Mill Street, NE September 24 12:17 p.m.

An employee reported that a customer was ignoring the business's "No Smoking" policy and refusing to leave. An officer spoke to the customer and advised him that, at the request of the manager, he was trespassed from the premises and will be charged with trespassing if he returned.

Fraud 22-009678 100 Block East Street, NE September 24 1:28 p.m.

A resident reported that she received an alert on her computer indicating that her bank accounts had been compromised. The resident called the phone number that was provided and she was advised to immediately remove all of her money from her account. The person advised her that when she removed the money they would instruct her where to deposit it. Once at the bank, an employee advised the resident that her account was not compromised and that the call was a scam.

Lost Property 22-009679 Water's Field 120 Cherry Street, SE September 24 2:30 p.m. A citizen lost a cell phone at the football field.

Police Service 22-009693 900 Block Fairway Drive, NE September 25 7:15 a.m.

Officers responded to assist an elderly resident when she believed that she saw someone in her home. The home was secure and there were no signs that anyone had entered the residence.

Destruction of Property 22-009726 100 Block East Street, NE September 25 10:00 a.m.

An Amazon driver parked in a residential parking space in the townhouse complex to make a delivery. A resident of the complex became agitated with the driver and, as the driver was attempting to drive away, the resident kicked her vehicle causing damage to the door.

Petit Larceny 22-009729

136 Maple Avenue, West

September 26 between 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.

A resident reported that her son's bicycle was stolen from in front of Panera, where he left it unsecured. The resident observed another boy at the Community Center with a bike that she believed was her son's, however she did not have the serial number readily available to prove ownership. An officer spoke to the other juvenile who advised the bicycle was his. The officer attempted to speak to the juvenile's parents but was unable to reach them. Later that evening, the resident called the officer and provided the serial number for the bicycle. The number matched the bike that the other juvenile had in his possession. The officer contacted the other juvenile and his mother and advised them that if the bicycle was returned the resident would not pursue larceny charges.

Missing Person 22-009727 100 Block Tapawingo Road, SE September 26 4:37 p.m.

A resident reported that their father-in-law went for a walk several hours earlier and had not yet returned. A lookout was given to surrounding jurisdictions. Fairfax County Police located the man in the Tysons area and transported him home.

Assist EMS 22-009782 Vienna Police Station 215 Center Street, South September 28 4:20 a.m.

An Uber driver brought an elderly man to the police station who reported that he was being held against his will. Rescue personnel responded to assess the man and transported him to an area hospital for evaluation. The officer checked with local police agencies to see if the man had been reported missing. It was determined that the man had been undergoing treatment at a local hospital when he left against medical advice.

Animal Case – Quarantine 22-009790 200 Block Park Terrace Court, SE September 28 10:00 a.m.

A woman was cleaning the stairwell in the building when she was bitten by one of the resident's dogs. The owner of the dog was advised of the 10-day quarantine.

Arrest – Petit Larceny 22-009800 Virginia ABC Store 419 Maple Avenue, East September 28 7:06 p.m.

An employee reported that a man entered the store, concealed a bottle of alcohol, and left without paying for it. Officers located the man on Chain Bridge Road and Horse Shoe Drive.

Ofc. Garcia arrested the 38-year-old man from Metzerott Road in Adelphi, Maryland. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Petit Larceny. The man was also trespassed from the ABC Store.

Missing Person 22-009802 500 Block MacArthur Avenue, NE September 28 7:10 p.m.

A resident reported concern for the welfare of their adult son who left the home after a verbal dispute. While the officer was speaking to the resident, the son returned home. The officer provided the resident with information on services available to them.

Arrest – Warrant Service 22-009817 Vienna Police Station 301 Center Street, South September 29 10:27 a.m.

A woman came to the police station to accept the service of warrants. PFC Gucwa served the two warrants, charging Telephone Threats and Stalking, and one summons, charging Annoying Telephone Calls, from Prince William County on the 51-year-old woman from Prelude Drive in Vienna. The woman was released on her signature.

CASE UPDATES

None.

CRASHES

100 Block Maple Avenue, East 22-009590 September 21 6:33 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 exited the parking lot of Whole Foods, went across Maple Avenue in heavy traffic, and struck Vehicle-2.

400 Block Maple Avenue, East 22-0099593 September 21 8:07 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2. Driver-1 left the scene without stopping to provide their information.

Nutley Street and Tapawingo Road, SW 22-009647 September 23 1:57 p.m.

Two vehicles were in the same lane of traffic on Nutley Street. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2 as they were stopping for the traffic light.

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

100 Block Beulah Road, NE September 29 8:00 a.m.

Two vehicles were traveling southbound on Beulah Road, NE. Vehicle-2 slowed in traffic. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

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

<u>CITIZEN NOTES</u>



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

Vienna Police Department to Participate in the DEA Prescription Drug Take Back Initiative

Saturday, October 29, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

In conjunction with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and state and local law enforcement agencies, the Vienna Police Department will again participate in a one-day initiative to remove potentially dangerous controlled substances from area homes.

On October 29, 2022, between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., the Vienna Police Department will have a collection site for old, expired, unused, or unwanted medications. Prescription medications, controlled or non-controlled substances, and over-the-counter drugs may be turned in anonymously at the collection point inside the Vienna Police Department temporary facility located at 301 Center Street, South, Vienna, Virginia 22180 (The former Faith Baptist Church).

Participants may dispose of medication in its original container or by removing it and disposing of it directly into the collection box. If an original container is used, the individual should consider removing any identifying information from the prescription label. Liquid products should remain sealed in their original container to prevent leakage.

DEA will collect vape pens or other e-cigarette devices from individual consumers **only** after the batteries are removed from the devices. It is important to stress that the DEA is not responsible for removing the batteries from the devices.

Intravenous solutions, injectables, and syringes will not be accepted due to associated hazards (The only exemption is Epipens).

Commercial businesses, pharmacies, or other medical facilities may not use this as a means to discard expired medications or medical waste.

For DEA Authorized Collectors that provide year-round drop-off locations to the public to dispose of unwanted pharmaceuticals, go to <u>Controlled Substance Public Disposal Locations</u>.

For further information, please contact: MPO Juan Vazquez - Town of Vienna Police Department Juan.vazquez@viennava.gov or 703-255-7845



Vienna Police Department INFORMATIONAL BULLETIN

FOR PUBLIC DISSEMINATION

DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY

Between 2:00 AM and 3:00 AM on July 23, 2022, a group of unidentified males damaged the grounds and equipment at Westwood Country Club, 800 Maple Avenue E, Vienna, VA 22180. Video surveillance captured them and the images below were obtained. Estimates of the cost of the damage to the grounds and property exceeded \$2000.





If you have information on these suspects or incident, please contact Sergeant J. K. Sheeran, James.Sheeran@viennava.gov, (703) 255-7826, reference case number 2022-7611

Sergeant J.K. Sheeran #76 215 Center Street South, Vienna VA 22180 James.Sheeran@Viennava.gov (703) 255 - 7826

July 28, 2022



Vienna Police Department

FOR PUBLIC DISSEMINATION

BURGLARY

These two suspects were involved in a burglary and unlawful entry that occurred in the 200 block of Dominion Road NE on December 26, 2021.



If you recognize these suspects or have any information, please contact Det. Marcos Herrera, Marcos.Herrera@viennava.gov, (703) 255-7821, reference case number 2021-7988

Detective M.A. Herrera #118 215 Center Street South, Vienna VA 22180 Marcos.Herrera@Viennava.gov (703) 255 - 7821

January 18, 2022



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release Warning: McAfee Scam Email

Detectives with the Vienna Police Department are investigating two separate scam incidents related to a "McAfee Antivirus" email. Detectives advised that the scam usually begins with an email that purports to be from McAfee informing citizens that they are being charged \$300 for "McAfee Total Protection anti-virus software" unless they cancel the order by calling a phone number provided in the email. If you call the number provided, you will be greeted by a scammer posing as a McAfee employee who will ask for personal information, including a bank account number supposedly to verify the account. After receiving the personal information, the scammer will request a wire transfer of funds which will be nearly impossible to reverse once it is completed. The Vienna Police Department provides the following guidelines for spotting and avoiding a "phishing" email:

- 1) Always check the sender's email. Phishing emails may look like they are from a legitimate company you trust. Most of the time, you can tell it is a phishing scam if the sender's email address consists of random numbers and letters. If you are unsure, research the email of the company.
- 2) Look for spelling and grammatical errors. Phishing emails tend to have multiple spelling and grammatical errors in them.
- 3) Phishing emails will attempt to trick you through a sense of urgency in order to click on a link or open an attachment. You can inspect the link by hovering the mouse over it without clicking on it—only open attachments from trusted and verified sources.
- 4) Phishing emails may trick you by saying:
 - a. They've noticed suspicious activity or login attempts
 - b. Claim there are account problems or problems with payment information
 - c. Ask to confirm personal information
 - d. Attach fake invoices
 - e. Provide a link to allow for a payment
 - f. Threaten to arrest
 - g. Offer money or free items

If you feel you have fallen victim to a phishing scam, please call the police non-emergency number, 703-255-6366, to report it. You can also report phishing emails to your email provider or the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) using their website. Useful links containing phishing email examples, how to avoid phishing emails, and FTC reporting procedures are attached below:

https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-recognize-and-avoid-phishing-scams

https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/topics/online-security

For further information please contact: M.P.O. Juan Vazquez - Town of Vienna Police Department juan.vazquez@viennava.gov or 703-255-7845