

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

January 20, 2023

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from January 13, 2023 to January 19, 2023. 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 Ruth Rohr for further information at Ruth.Rohr@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

Animal Case – Quarantine 23-000335 Hope Advanced Veterinary Center 140 Park Street, SE January 10 10:00 a.m.

A technician was bitten by a dog during a procedure. The dog was euthanized and ACO Barker transported the animal to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter for rabies testing. On January 19, the Health Department reported the rabies test was negative.

Arrest – Warrant Service 23-000332 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE January 12 7:54 a.m.

Officers responded to a residence to serve a warrant at the request of the Fairfax City Police Department.

Ofc. Armstrong arrested the 33-year-old man from Cedar Lane, SE in Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the warrant charging Destruction of Property was served on him.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 23-000333 Cedar Lane School 101 Cedar Lane, SE January 12 8:46 a.m.

School administration reported a juvenile was in their office acting disorderly. When officers arrived, the juvenile fled from the office and ran out onto Cedar Lane where she continued to act disorderly, obstructing traffic and causing a hazard to herself and the officers. MPO Tremont arrested the juvenile on an Emergency Care Order and transported her to a mental health facility for evaluation and treatment.

Suspicious Event 23-000339 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE January 12 2:32 p.m.

A resident believes someone may have hacked into his cell phone. The resident was instructed to contact his cell phone service to determine if his account has been compromised.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 23-000347 500 Block Lincoln Street, NW January 12 11:33 p.m.

An officer observed a driver commit a series of traffic violations and initiated a traffic stop. The driver stopped in front of a residence, exited his vehicle, and proceeded to walk to his house. The man refused to comply with the officer's commands and was placed under arrest.

After providing a sample of his breath for analysis, the 34-year-old man from Lincoln Street, NW in Vienna was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated and Obstruction of Justice / Resisting Arrest.

Police Service 23-000349 200 Block Locust Street, SE January 13 7:39 a.m.

A resident reported he received an email in 2020 he believed might be threatening.

Vehicle Tampering 23-000476 Vienna Town Hall 127 Center Street, South January 13 at 5:00 p.m. and January 17 at 10:00 a.m.

An employee reported someone entered his unlocked work truck and put dog feces on the steering wheel.

Trespassing 23-000378 Bear Branch Tavern 133 Maple Avenue, East January 13 11:52 p.m.

An employee reported a customer who was disorderly and refusing to leave. Officers spoke to the man and advised him he was trespassed from the restaurant. The officer transported the man to his residence.

Assault 23-000409 500 Block Devonshire Drive, NE January 14 10:03 p.m.

A woman reported she was assaulted by her stepfather. The stepfather advised the woman assaulted him first. Both parties were advised of the warrant process should they wish to pursue charges.

Fraud 23-000474 Westwood Country Club 800 Maple Avenue, East

Between December 15 at 12:00 a.m. and December 17 at 11:43 a.m.

An employee reported a check they had mailed to a supplier was stolen and forged.

Police Service 23-000420 200 Block Yeonas Drive, SW January 15 3:14 p.m.

A resident was concerned about her husband and requested assistance. The resident was advised of the services available to them.

Petit Larceny 23-000429 Wawa 465 Maple Avenue, West January 15 10:55 p.m.

An employee reported two people came into the store, stole alcohol, and fled the store in a vehicle.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 23-000431 200 Block Old Courthouse Road, NE January 16 12:21 a.m.

An officer responded to the report of an accident involving one vehicle. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, he detected signs of impairment. The driver failed to complete a series of field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest.

After the driver provided a sample of his breath for analysis, Ofc. Stroh transported the 24-year-old man from Palm Springs Drive in Vienna to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Found Property 23-000437 Walker Street and Ware Street, SW January 16 3:34 p.m.

A citizen turned in a cell phone they found in the roadway.

Grand Larceny 23-000471 Natta Thai Cuisine 153 Glyndon Street, SE January 17 10:53 a.m.

A man went into the restaurant and stole an employee's purse.

Petit Larceny 23-000539
200 Block Audreys Court, SE
Between January 17 at 12:00 pm. And January 18 at 4:00 p.m.
A resident reported her license plate was stolen.

Arrest – Petit Larceny 23-000579

7-11

427 Maple Avenue, East

January 19 10:13 p.m.

An employee reported a man entered the store, stole alcohol and food, and left the store. The employee notified the police when the man later came back into the store.

Ofc. Mayar arrested the 30-year-old man whose address is unknown. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Petit Larceny.

CASE UPDATES

None.

CRASHES

200 Block West Maple Avenue, West January 14 1:50 p.m.

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

Harmony Drive and Cottage Street, SW 23-000578 January 19 9:30 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling northbound on Cottage Street when he made a wide right turn onto Harmony Drive, lost control, and struck a stop sign and street sign.

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.



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

Vienna Police Department Welcomes New Police Officer



(Pictured from Left to Right Major Daniel Janickey, Officer Celines R Fitchue, Colonel James Morris, Academy Instructor, MPO Michael Finelli)

On January 12, 2023, Officer Celines R Fitchue graduated from the 82nd Session of the Fairfax County Criminal Justice Academy. Their graduation marks the culmination of a six-month training session in which newly hired police recruits receive training in all aspects of police procedures. The six-month basic recruit session is a non-residential training program consisting of over 920 hours of instruction. The curriculum includes, but is not limited to 320 hours of academic studies, 94 hours of firearms training, 84 hours of emergency vehicle operation, 110 hours of physical training, and 130 hours of defensive tactics training.

The Criminal Justice Academy trains new and veteran officers from Vienna, Herndon, Fairfax County Police, Fairfax County Sheriff's Office, and the Fairfax County Fire Marshal's office.

To attend the Academy and become a police officer, candidates must go through a rigorous application process which includes a thorough background check, medical examination, polygraph test, and various interviews. On average, only 2% of the people that apply to be a police officer make it through the hiring process and are invited to attend the basic recruit class.

Officer Celines R Fitchue will be assigned a Field Training Instructor (FTI) for the next twelve weeks. During the twelve weeks, the FTI will observe and guide the Officer's performance in officer safety, traffic enforcement, interaction with citizens, report writing, investigations of crimes, vehicular accidents, and many other aspects of law enforcement duties.

For Further Information please contact

MPO Juan Vazquez- Town of Vienna Police Public Information Officer
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Vienna Police Department INFORMATIONAL BULLETIN

Attempt to ID - For Public Dissemination

Grand Larceny

On October 25, 2022, between 1pm and 2pm, the subject pictured below is suspected of stealing a wallet from a purse of an unattended shopping cart at Giant, located in Vienna, VA. The suspect is seen on security camera approach a shopper's cart as her back was turned, reach into her purse which was in the top "seat" area of the cart and take the victim's wallet from the purse. The wallet contained several credit/debit cards as well as the victim's driver's license. The suspect then turned and exited with the wallet. The suspect is a B/M and was wearing blue jeans, a black hoodie, a patterned face mask, a tan backpack, and a San Antonio Spurs hat.





If you recognize the suspect or have similar cases, please contact PFC A. J. Murray, alex.murray@viennava.gov (703) 255-7816, reference case number 2022-10499

PFC A. J. Murray 137 215 Center Street South, Vienna VA 22180 Alex.murray@Viennava.gov (703) 255 - 7816

November 21, 2022



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 INFORMATION BULLETIN

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.







Suspect 2

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:

- 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:

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