

#### **VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS**

**February 3, 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 27, 2023 to February 2, 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 <a href="https://data.virginia.gov/stories/s/rden-cz3h">https://data.virginia.gov/stories/s/rden-cz3h</a>. 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**

**Grand Larceny 23-000969** 

Vienna Arsenal

386 Maple Avenue, East, #200

Between September 1, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. and January 6 at 4:00 p.m.

During a routine inventory of the store, an employee found two firearms missing. A detective will follow up with the ATF on this case.

Fraud 23-000851

1300 Block Cottage Street, SW

Between January 15 at 6:00 a.m. and January 20 at 5:00 p.m.

A resident reported a check she wrote for her gas bill was stolen, altered, and cashed.

Grand Larceny 23-000996

**W&OD** Bike Trail and the Town Line, NE

Between January 15 at 12:00 p.m. and February 1 at 1:34 p.m.

A Town employee reported the "Town of Vienna" sign was stolen from the bike trail.

Stolen Vehicle 23-000892

100 Block Branch Road, SE

Between January 24 at 3:00 p.m. and January 28 at 7:46 p.m.

A citizen reported their vehicle was stolen from the shopping center parking lot. The citizen left the vehicle unlocked with the keys inside on January 24. When they returned on January 28, they found the vehicle had been stolen.

Arrest - Fight 23-000804 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE January 26 7:00 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a fight involving several individuals. A juvenile reported she and a woman were exchanging heated text messages. They met in the shopping center parking lot to address the issues and a fight ensued. During the fight, the juvenile stated she was thrown to the ground. An officer transported the juvenile home and she began complaining of pain. Rescue personnel responded and transported the juvenile to an area hospital with a minor injury.

On January 30, the juvenile went to the magistrate with her parent and obtained a misdemeanor warrant charging assault against the woman. On February 1, Ofc. Fitchue served the warrant on the 26-year-old woman from Cedar Lane, SE in Vienna. The woman was released on a summons.

Burglary 23-000834 America's Best Wings 262 Cedar Lane, SE January 27 2:05 a.m.

An employee reported another incident of someone entering the restaurant after hours, taking money from the tip jar, and the register, and stealing drinks. (*Reference January 27, 2023, Vienna Police Highlights, Incident #23-0806*)

#### **Extortion 23-001026**

1000 Block Glyndon Street, SE

January 27 between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

A resident reported an acquaintance was threatening to send explicit photos to her place of employment unless she paid him.

#### Suspicious Event 23-000888

Church Street and Dominion Road, NE

Between January 27 at 3:30 p.m. and January 28 at 4:30 p.m.

Two juveniles reported two suspicious encounters they had with an older juvenile on the bike trail.

#### Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated and Accident 23-000852 1300 Block Cottage Street, SW January 27 5:58 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked northbound on Cottage Street. Vehicle-1 was traveling northbound on Cottage Street when they swerved into Vehicle-2. Upon the officer's interaction with Driver-1, he detected signs of impairment. The driver refused to perform a series of sobriety tests and was placed under arrest.

After the 37-year-old man from Ware Street, SW in Vienna provided a sample of his breath for analysis, he was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 23-000864 Bear Branch Tavern 133 Maple Avenue, East January 28 1:19 a.m.

Officers responded to the report of an intoxicated man in the parking lot. The officers located the man sitting in the driver's seat of his vehicle. Upon their interaction with the man, they detected signs of impairment.

Ofc. Mayar arrested the 34-year-old man from Broad Street in McLean, Virginia. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Drunk In Public.

#### Stolen Vehicle – Car Jacking 23-000898 Park Street and Moore Avenue, SE January 28 10:39 p.m.

See the Police Media Release in the Citizen's Notes below for information regarding this incident.

Open Door 23-000926 On Edge Hair & Nail Studio 155 Glyndon Street, SE January 30 10:13 a.m.

A customer reported he entered the business through the unlocked door, but the lights were off and no employees were there. An officer checked the business and observed nothing suspicious.

Domestic Dispute 23-000949 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE January 30 8:16 p.m.

Officers responded to a dispute between a boyfriend and girlfriend.

Suspicious Event 23-000974 Church of the Holy Comforter FACETS Hypothermia Prevention Shelter 543 Beulah Road, NE January 31 9:01 p.m.

One of the individuals staying at the shelter reported another man was acting suspiciously toward him. Both parties agreed to separate.

#### Arrest – Driving on Revoked License DUI Related 23-000994 2500 Block Cedar Lane February 1 12:55 p.m.

During a traffic stop, an officer found the driver's license privilege was revoked for a Driving Under the Influence related charge.

Ofc. Crandall arrested the 40-year-old woman from Spice Court in Vienna. She was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Driving on a Revoked License DUI Related.

Assist EMS 23-001030 Cedar Lane School 101 Cedar Lane, SW February 2 11:58 a.m.

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with a student suffering a medical emergency. The student was transported to an area hospital for evaluation.

#### Assault 23-001034 1000 Block Ware Street, SW February 2 12:40 p.m.

Officers responded to assist staff from Marshall Road Elementary School with a student who walked away from the school and was refusing to go back. While officers were trying to communicate with the juvenile, he assaulted them. The juvenile eventually agreed to return to the school with one of the staff members where he was released to the custody of his mother.

#### Involuntary Temporary Detention Order 23-001036 100 Block Moore Avenue, SW February 2 1:02 p.m.

A resident reported a friend at their residence who was acting erratically. Due to the man's actions and statements, officers took him into custody on an Emergency Custody Order. Officers transported him to a medical facility where a Temporary Detention Order was issued and he was held for evaluation and treatment.

#### CASE UPDATES

Firearms Discharge 23-000217 311 Maple Avenue, East January 8 2:52 p.m.

Reference Vienna Police Highlights, January 13, 2023.

Please see the Media Release below for the updated information on this case.

#### **CRASHES**

## 900 Fairway Drive, NE 23-000829 January 27 9:27 a.m.

Vehicle-2 (a tree service truck) was legally parked on Fairway Drive. Vehicle-1 was traveling eastbound on Fairway. Driver-1 reported another vehicle was traveling westbound at a high rate of speed in the eastbound lane, causing him to swerve and strike Vehicle-2. Driver-1 was transported by rescue personnel to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

### Windover Avenue near Nutley Street, NW 23-000880 January 28 2:01 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling northbound on Nutley Street when the driver ran off the roadway and struck a street sign on Windover Avenue, NW.

#### Church Street and Beulah Road, NE 23-000905 January 29 2:30 p.m.

Two vehicles were westbound on Church Street, NE. Vehicle-2 was stopped at the red traffic light. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

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

## 300 Block Maple Avenue, East 23-001004 February 1 4:17 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 attempted to turn right from 362 Maple Avenue and collided with Vehicle-2 causing minor damage.

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

#### Town of Vienna Police Department Arrests Shooting Suspect – UPDATE



On January 8, 2023, multiple citizens reported hearing gunshots in the parking lot near 311 Maple Ave E. Officers from the Vienna Police Department responded to the area and after an initial investigation, determined the incident involved a civil dispute between family members, which resulted in one individual discharging a firearm.

A lengthy investigation followed, which included statements from witnesses who remained on scene, interviews, search warrants, and examination of physical evidence. On January 31, 2023, detectives from the Vienna Police Department Criminal Investigations Section obtained arrest warrants charging Aria Shahryary with felony shooting in to an occupied vehicle, felony willful discharge of a firearm in a public place and misdemeanor brandishing. On February 2, 2023, Mr. Shahryary voluntarily reported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he surrendered himself to detectives of the Vienna Police Department for the service of the warrants. Mr. Shahryary was held on a \$50,000 secured bond.

The Vienna Police Department would like to thank the witnesses who remained on scene to give statements and the Fairfax County Police Department who assisted in the investigation.

For Further Information please contact
MPO Juan Vazquez- Town of Vienna Police Public Information Officer
at juan.vazquez@viennava.gov or 703. 255. 7845



## Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

#### **Vehicle Car Jacking Incident**

On Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023, around 10:30 P.M. a citizen walked into the Town of Vienna Police Department to report they had been carjacked. The citizen stated around 10:00 P.M. they were in the area of Park St and Moore Ave SE, when their vehicle was rear-ended. The citizen exited their vehicle to make contact with the striking vehicle. The occupants of the striking vehicle exited their vehicle, presented a firearm and demanded the citizen give over control of their vehicle. One suspect entered the victim's vehicle; the second suspect got back into what was described as a black Dodge Challenger and fled the area. The victim's cell phone was left in their vehicle, preventing them from calling 911.

Lookouts for the stolen vehicle were sent to surrounding jurisdictions. The vehicle was located abandoned in Baltimore, Maryland. No suspects were apprehended.

There were no injuries reported and no firearms were discharged.

The Town of Vienna Police Department Criminal Investigations Section is working with DC Metropolitan and Baltimore Police Departments to identify the suspects involved in this incident. Vienna Police Department asks for the public's assistance to locate any eyewitnesses or video of the incident. Please call 703-255-6366 and ask for MPO Juan Vazquez to provide information.

The Vienna Police Department would like to thank Baltimore Police Department in their efforts to recover the victim's vehicle.

Please contact MPO Juan Vazquez for further information at <u>juan.vazquez@viennava.gov</u> or 703-255-7845



#### **Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department**

#### **Driver Safety Tips**

The Town of Vienna Police Department is continuing to investigate the carjacking incident, which occurred on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>. We would like to thank citizens who have contacted The Town Vienna Police Department seeking information on how to best prepare themselves. Listed below are some helpful tips to keep in mind if you ever find yourself in a suspicious situation:

- -Beware of your surroundings:
  - -Garage and parking lots
  - -Intersections with stop signs and traffic signals
  - -Residential streets and driveways
  - -Anywhere you need to stop or slow down

#### -When possible:

- -Park in well-lit areas
- -Stay alert
- -Stay off your phone
- -Keep your doors and windows locked while driving
- -Allow enough room between your car and the one ahead/behind you to avoid being boxed in
- -Keep your cell phone on your person, not left in the vehicle
- -If your vehicle is bumped into and you are suspicious of the incident, turn on your emergency flashers, drive to a well-lit, heavily populated area and contact the police department
- -If you are the victim of a carjacking:
  - -Give up your vehicle and leave the scene
  - -Avoid verbal or physical altercations with the suspect
  - -Take note of the suspect's description
  - -If there is a child in the vehicle, tell the suspect, "My child is in the vehicle"
  - -Call 911 immediately

If you ever find yourself in doubt of how to handle a suspicious situation, call the Town of Vienna Police Department, 703-255-6366, and ask to speak to an officer. If you have any further questions or information related to the carjacking incident on Saturday, January 28th, call 703-255-7845, and ask to speak with MPO Juan Vazquez.



# 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, <u>James.Sheeran@viennava.gov</u>, (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:

M.P.O. Juan Vazquez - Town of Vienna Police Department
<u>juan.vazquez@viennava.gov</u> or 703-255-7845