

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

February 10, 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 3, 2023 to February 9, 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 <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.

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 23-001134 200 Block Locust Street, SE

August 21 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported a relative stole some of his belongings from his room.

Vehicle Tampering 23-001121

900 Block Westwood Drive, NE

Between February 1 at 10:00 p.m. and February 2 at 8:00 a.m.

A resident reported someone entered his unlocked vehicle and stole a gym bag containing clothing and shoes.

Found Property 23-001073 Vienna Tot Lot 160 Branch Road, SE February 3 1:43 p.m. A Town of Vienna Parks & Recreation employee turned in a bicycle they found at the park.

Suspicious Event 23-001101

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

Between February 3 at 5:00 p.m. and February 4 at 6:00 p.m.

A resident returned home from work to find some of his belongings on the outside steps of his apartment and some property damaged in the apartment. The resident believes he knows who is responsible for the incident, but is uncertain if he wishes to pursue charges.

Fraud 23-001119

600 Block Kearney Court, SW

Between February 3 at 5:39 p.m. and February 4 at 3:38 p.m.

A resident reported she was defrauded of money when she tried to purchase tickets to a concert through a post on Twitter. After sending the money, she realized the post was a scam.

Suspicious Event 23-001081 Church of the Holy Comforter FACETS Hypothermia Prevention Shelter 543 Beulah Road, NE February 3 between 7:00 p.m. and 7:17 p.m. Officers responded to the report of a fight betwe

Officers responded to the report of a fight between two individuals staying at the shelter. Neither party wished to pursue charges.

Suspicious Event 23-001080 7-11 537 Maple Avenue, West February 3 7:34 p.m.

An employee reported a customer who is known to her was in the store stating she was going to harm herself. The customer then left the store. Officers searched the area, but did not locate the woman. Fairfax County officers located the woman at her home in their jurisdiction where she declined any assistance.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 23-001082 Church of the Holy Comforter FACETS Hypothermia Prevention Shelter 543 Beulah Road, NE February 3 10:25 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a fight at the shelter. The staff advised an individual was acting disorderly and antagonizing the others in the shelter. Upon the officer's interaction with the man, they detected signs of impairment.

Ofc. Reed arrested the 55-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.

Arrest – Assault 23-001083 Church of the Holy Comforter FACETS Hypothermia Prevention Shelter 543 Beulah Road, NE February 3 11:11 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a fight at the shelter. The staff reported one of the residents was provoking another resident, began throwing chairs, and yelling profanities, resulting in a fight when the other resident tried to defend himself.

Ofc. Rodriguez arrested the 28-year-old man with no fixed address. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Simple Assault.

Civil 23-001099 600 Valley Drive, SE February 4 1:02 p.m.

A resident reported a dispute with a neighbor over their property border. Both residents were referred to the Town of Vienna Zoning Department for assistance in settling the dispute.

Arrest – Contribute to the Delinquency of a Minor 23-001104 100 Block Elmar Drive, SW February 4 10:06 n m

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Officers responded to the report of a party where multiple juveniles were drinking and smoking. The party began to disperse as officers arrived. Officers spoke to a resident, the homeowner's son, who advised he was hosting the party. The homeowner returned home, unaware of her son having his friends over.

Ofc. Rodriguez issued a summons to the 18-year-old resident charging Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor and released him on his signature.

Juvenile Case 23-001105 200 Block Tapawingo Road, SE February 4 10:33 p.m.

A complaint was received regarding loud juveniles in the area, believed to be leaving the party on Elmar Drive, SW (*reference Incident 23-001104*). Sgt. Sheeran located five teenage males in the area of a construction site on Tapawingo Road, SE. Four of the juveniles had consumed alcohol. The juveniles were transported to the police station where their parents were notified to pick them up and they were verbally counseled.

Arrest – ABC Violation 23-001117 7-11 8616 Park Street February 5 9:56 a.m.

An officer observed a man drinking alcohol outside of the 7-11 store.

MPO Reedy issued a summons to the 42-year-old man from Cedar Lane, SE in Vienna charging Drinking In Public. The man was released on his signature.

Arrest – Domestic Assault 23-001125 Cedar Lane, SE February 5 6:30 p.m.

A resident reported her ex-husband arrived at her apartment and a verbal dispute ensued. The resident asked her ex-husband to leave and he began to assault and strangle her. He then left the area. The resident was transported to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. Ofc. Reed proceeded to the magistrate's office and obtained two warrants and an Emergency Protective Order against the ex-husband.

At 10:30 p.m., officers responded to the man's residence with officers from the Fairfax County Police Department. Ofc. Reed arrested the 43-year-old man from Willow Crescent Drive in Fairfax, Virginia. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the warrants, a felony charging Strangulation and a misdemeanor charging Domestic Assault, and the Emergency Protective Order were served.

Petit Larceny 23-001131 7-11 427 Maple Avenue, East February 6 12:06 a.m.

An employee reported a man attempted to purchase beer after midnight when the store stops selling alcohol. When the employee refused the transaction, the man left the beer, grabbed a bottle of wine from the shelf, and left without paying for it. The employee confronted the man in the parking lot and took the bottle back. The employee did not wish to pursue charges, but requested the man be trespassed from the store. An officer advised the man he would be charged with trespass if he returns to the premises.

Arrest – Assault 23-001133

Talahi Road and Ninovan Road, SE

February 6 between 7:00 a.m. and 7:40 a.m.

A woman was walking her dog when she got into a verbal altercation with a driver who committed a traffic offense. After the altercation, the woman continued walking her dog when she heard the screeching tires and the horn of the vehicle as it began approaching her, stopping just before hitting her and striking her dog's tail.

Ofc. Fitchue obtained a warrant charging misdemeanor Assault for the driver, a 59-year-old man from Glyndon Street, SE in Vienna. The officer served the warrant on the man, releasing him on his signature.

Found Property 23-001135 Tapawingo Road and Ware Street, SW February 6 8:45 a.m. A citizen turned in a cell phone they found in the area.

Animal Case 23-001157 100 Block Shepherdson Lane, NE February 6 3:52 p.m.

A resident reported a sick raccoon in their yard. An officer found the raccoon was in grave condition and euthanized the animal.

Welfare Check 23-001177 100 Block Saint Andrews Drive, NE February 7 11:48 a.m.

A medical facility requested an officer check on the welfare of a juvenile who was having emotional issues. After speaking with the juvenile, the officer advised the parent of the process to obtain an Emergency Care Order if they wished to get the juvenile evaluated.

Animal Case 23-001184 Meadow Lane Park 400 Courthouse Road, SW February 7 2:00 p.m.

A citizen observed a man place his dog in the trunk of his vehicle. When the Animal Control Officer arrived, he could hear the dog barking in the trunk. The dog's owner approached the ACO and stated he placed his dog in the trunk to secure it while he was taking his children to the park. ACO Barker advised him that placing the dog in the trunk was cruelty to the animal. The ACO found the dog was in good health. The man was warned about leaving an animal alone in a vehicle.

Grand Larceny 23-001207 Wawa 465 Maple Avenue, West February 8 7:36 a.m.

An employee reported a man walked into the employee's room, stole two boxes full of cartons of cigarettes, ran from the store, and fled in a vehicle.

CASE UPDATES

None.

CRASHES

Maple Avenue and Park Street, NE 23-000995

February 1 1:24 p.m.

Driver-1 was westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-2 was turning left onto eastbound Maple Avenue with a green left turn traffic signal. The two vehicles collided in the intersection.

362 Maple Avenue, East 23-001004

February 1 4:17 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-2 was turning right onto eastbound Maple which resulted in the two vehicles colliding.

Kingsley Road near Cottage Street, SW 23-001014

February 2 6:15 a.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked on Kingsley Road. Vehicle-1 was westbound on Kingsley when it struck the rear of Vehicle-2.

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

359 Maple Avenue, East 23-001182 February 3 1:30 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked in the parking lot. Vehicle-1 struck Vehicle-2 and left the area without providing their information.

Maple Avenue and Berry Street, SE 23-001079 February 3 5:26 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling westbound on Maple Avenue in the left lane. Vehicle-1 was turning from Berry Street onto westbound Maple when it struck Vehicle-2.

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

100 Center Street, North 23-001096

February 4 11:39 a.m.

Vehicle-2 was stopped at the traffic signal southbound on Center Street. As the traffic signal turned green, Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2

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

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

February 4 7:21 p.m.

Vehicle-2 and Vehicle-3 were legally parked in the parking lot. Vehicle-1 struck both vehicles and fled the scene without stopping.

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

CITIZEN NOTES



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Presents the "The Law Enforcement Commendation and Medal"



The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Fairfax recently honored public service professionals at a chapter meeting. The Law Enforcement Medal and Commendation was presented to Captain Tu Farhan of the Vienna Police Department.

Captain Farhan has been a member of the Vienna Police Department since 2000. His citation notes that "during his tenure, Captain Farhan has excelled as an Officer, Detective, Supervisor and now he is helping to lead the agency as a Captain. He continually challenges himself and others to improve performance by researching best practices and making training a priority. Captain Farhan is fluent in five foreign languages, and he routinely uses his linguistic skills to assist officers with translation which helps to bridge the gap when language is a barrier."

The Law Enforcement Commendation and Medal is presented to those who have served with distinction and devotion in the field of law enforcement. The medal is intended to recognize exceptional service or accomplishment in the field of law enforcement.

Please contact MPO Juan Vazquez for further information at <u>Juan.vazquez@viennava.gov</u> 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 28th. 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 Largeny

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

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