

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

June 30, 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 June 23, 2023 to June 29, 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

Suspicious Event 23-006018 200 Block Niblick Drive, SE

Between June 15 at 4:30 p.m. and June 23 at 4:30 p.m.

A resident informed the police department about an incident involving his underage daughter and a registered sex offender. According to the resident, his daughter was walking home from school when the man asked her if she was going home. The resident expressed concern about the man's past criminal record, recent peculiar actions observed by their family, and the uncomfortable manner in which he spoke to his daughter. Feeling uneasy, the juvenile ran home.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 23-005944

Vienna Seventh-Day Adventist Church

344 Courthouse Road, SW

June 21 9:27 p.m.

Church members reported a woman was acting erratically and attempted to assault one of the members. Upon the officer's interaction with the woman, they determined she was suffering from a mental health crisis and transported her to a local medical facility for evaluation.

Animal Case – Quarantine 23-006254 1000 Block Echols Street, SE June 23 12:00 p.m.

The Health Department reported a dog bite that happened in Waynesboro, Virginia while a resident was visiting family with his dog. The dog's owner was advised of the 10-day quarantine.

Grand Larceny 23-006060 Giant Food 359 Maple Avenue, East June 24 12:04 p.m.

A citizen reported her wallet, containing U.S. currency, credit cards, a gift card, and her driver's license was stolen from her purse. A short time later, the citizen was advised by her bank that unauthorized purchases had been placed on her credit cards.

Telephone Case 23-006068 100 Block Patrick Street, SE June 24 1:14 p.m.

A resident received threatening messages through the internet platform WhatsApp. This case is being investigated.

Arrest – Assault 23-006095 Vienna Seventh-Day Adventist Church 344 Courthouse Road, SW June 25 1:56 p.m.

A woman who was previously trespassed from the premises was on the property, acting disorderly, and refusing to leave. While the officers were speaking to the woman, she struck one of them.

Ofc. Ebrahimi arrested the 50-year-old woman from Carling Springs Road in Falls Church, Virginia. She was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where she was charged with Assault on a Police Officer and Trespassing.

Suspicious Event 23-006109

500 Block Walker Street, SW

June 25 between 9:50 p.m. and 10:08 p.m.

A resident reported a woman with two dogs knocked on their door and advised she saw a strange man staring at their house. The resident stated this was the second time in the past several months she has come to their house at the same time of night to report the same thing. Officers searched the area for the woman but were unable to locate her.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 23-006135

Meadow Lane, SW

June 26 10:42 a.m.

Residents requested assistance with their adult son who was acting out after a dispute. At the son's request, an officer transported him to a local medical facility where he could speak to a clinician.

Civil Dispute 23-006173 Magnolia Dessert Bar & Coffee 431 Maple Avenue, West June 26 10:05 p.m.

Officers responded to a dispute between a customer and an employee. The customer was upset that the gratuity was added to their party's bill and the situation escalated when the employee's boyfriend confronted the customer. After paying the bill, the customer was trespassed from the restaurant.

Assault 23-006288 Wawa 465 Maple Avenue, West June 29 12:07 a.m.

A citizen advised he was sitting in his vehicle in the parking lot when he was approached by a man who was panhandling. The man became agitated when the citizen refused to give him any money. The citizen drove away after the man attempted to grab his bag of food and spit in his face. The citizen did not wish to pursue charges. Officers searched the area but did not locate the man.

Destruction of Property 23-006309 200 Block Nutley Street, NW June 29 10:35 a.m. A resident reported damage to the fence in her yard.

Fraud 23-006326 200 Block Stephen Circle, SW June 29 between 10:53 a.m. and 12:51 p.m.

A resident advised he was contacted by someone identifying themselves as an Amazon Warehouse representative claiming he may be the victim of identity theft. The resident followed the caller's instructions by purchasing gift cards and removing money from his bank account converting it into Bitcoin before realizing the call was a scam.

Suspicious Event 23-006327 Vienna Rexall Drug Center 150 Maple Avenue, West June 29 between 6:45 p.m. and 7:03 p.m.

An employee reported a man was in the pharmacy attempting to pass a prescription they believed was fraudulent. The pharmacist spoke to someone by phone claiming to be the healthcare provider who provided him with an incorrect DEA control number. The healthcare provider later called back with the correct information.

CASE UPDATES

None.

CRASHES

359 Maple Avenue, East 23-005848 June 19 3:00 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked in the parking lot when it was struck by Vehicle-1, causing minor damage. Driver-1 fled the scene without providing their information.

100 Block Branch Road, SE 23-005985

June 22 5:54 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling southbound on Branch Road, SE. Vehicle-1 was exiting the parking lot of 359 Maple Avenue, East when the two vehicles collided.

Nutley Street near Tapawingo Road, SW 23-005988

June 22 6:49 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling southbound on Nutley Street approaching the red traffic light at Tapawingo Road. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

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

Nutley Street and Tapawingo Road, SW 23-006019

June 23 1:30 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling northbound on Nutley Street, SW when a deer ran into the driver's side of the vehicle.

500 Block Maple Avenue, East 23-006144 June 26 12:40 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling eastbound in the left lane of Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 was exiting the parking lot of 521 Maple Avenue when the two vehicles collided.

Maple Avenue, West and Center Street, South 23-006184 June 27 7:30 a.m.

Two vehicles were eastbound on Maple Avenue, stopped for the traffic light at Center Street. Vehicle-2 was in the right lane. Vehicle-1 was in the left lane, attempted to turn right onto Center Street, cutting off Vehicle-2, and the two vehicles collided.

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

200 Block Maple Avenue, East 23-006270 June 28 2:20 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound on Maple Avenue in adjacent lanes. Vehicle-1 attempted to change lanes and the two vehicles collided.

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

Kingsley Road and Nutley Street, SW 23-006274 June 28 5:33 p.m.

Two vehicles were stopped on Kingsley Road at Nutley Street. Vehicle-1 reversed into Vehicle-2. After the collision, Vehicle-1 fled northbound on Nutley Street without stopping to provide their information.

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>



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The emergency technology company, **RapidSOS**, has partnered with the American Heart Association, American Red Cross, and Direct Relief to sponsor a no-cost voluntary health database. RapidSOS is an intelligent safety platform that securely links life-saving data from 500M+ connected devices, apps, and sensors from 90+ global technology companies to over 450,000 first responders across 15,000 agencies nationwide. Whether there's an unsafe moment or an emergency, RapidSOS Ready devices, homes, or buildings deliver essential data to first responders when it matters most.

Town of Vienna residents may create a free emergency health profile that can be easily shared with first responders during a crisis or emergency to ensure they can access your critical health and medical information when you need help. Your created profile provides real-time details about your medical history, emergency contacts, allergies, etc. It only takes a few minutes to set up and is voluntary.

You can enter behavioral health information, pre-existing medical conditions, allergies, emergency contacts, and other relevant details into the database. This information is associated with your mobile phone number and will only be available to first responders when they receive an emergency call from your provided telephone number. You can choose the amount of information you provide based on your discretion.

Regularly reviewing and updating your profile is vital to ensure first responders have the most up-to-date information, especially after significant health or life changes.

We encourage Vienna residents to take the first step in ensuring their safety during an emergency by creating a free emergency health profile today at <u>https://www.emergencyprofile.org/</u>.





Town of Vienna, Virginia Police

Department Media Information Release



The Vienna Police Department Launches Stop Sign Enforcement Campaign

The Town of Vienna is launching another traffic safety campaign focused on enforcing all traffic laws, particularly targeting stop sign violations. In response to a noticeable increase in such violations, officers will be actively present to issue tickets and remind drivers about the importance of coming to a complete stop when approaching a stop sign. Whether facing a solid or flashing red light, drivers must stop before entering the crosswalk, intersection, or stop line. It's worth noting that, under certain circumstances, a stop sign violation can be cited as reckless driving.

Motorists who receive a ticket for a stop sign or red light violation will face a fine and three demerit points on their driving record. The Vienna Police Department emphasizes the need for defensive driving, courteous behavior, and strict adherence to all traffic laws to ensure safe arrival at destinations.

Remember: STOP MEANS STOP!

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