



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

November 15, 2024

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from November 8, 2024 to November 14, 2024. 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 Juan Vazquez for further information at Juan.vazquez@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

INCIDENTS

Animal Case – Quarantine 24-012411

900 Block Olympian Circle, SW

November 7 12:00 p.m.

On November 12, ACO Barker was notified by the Health Department of a dog bite incident that occurred on November 7. A delivery man was delivering a package when two dogs ran out of the home and one of them bit the man. Both dogs have current vaccinations, and the owners of the dogs have been notified of the 10-day quarantine.

Domestic Dispute 24-012269

Courthouse Circle, SW

November 8 6:45 a.m.

An officer responded to a verbal dispute between the resident and her daughter.

Animal Case – Quarantine 24-012276

100 Block Patrick Street, SW

November 8 11:24 a.m.

A resident was walking his dog when a dog got loose from another yard and bit his dog. While attempting to separate the animals he received a wound on his hand from the other dog. The dog's owner came out during the incident. She was advised of the 10-day quarantine. Neither animal suffered any injury, and both are current on their vaccinations.

Suspicious Event 24-012281

100 Block Patrick Street, SE

November 8 2:42 p.m.

A resident found a nail in his tire. He stated it was the second one he had found in his tire in the past month, and he believes someone was intentionally placing them there.

Domestic Dispute 24-012318

Charles Street, SE

November 9 8:22 a.m.

A resident obtained a temporary protection order against her estranged husband. An officer explained the conditions of the protection order to the man and served it on him. The man left the residence without incident.

Arrest – Warrant Service 24-012327

500 Block Maple Avenue, East

November 9 1:10 p.m.

An officer initiated a traffic stop and found the driver was wanted on an active warrant in Prince William County, Virginia.

PFC Garcia arrested the 55-year-old man from Birch Drive in Culpeper, Virginia. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the capias charging Violation of Probation was served.

Assault 24-012330

100 Block Maple Avenue, West

November 9 1:45 p.m.

A driver stopped his vehicle in the one-way lane of the parking lot of the shopping center to wait for a parking space to become available. Numerous vehicles began to back up behind him, sounding their horns for him to move, and the driver began yelling expletives at them. When the driver parked his vehicle, a man approached him regarding the incident, and an argument ensued. The driver stated the other man threatened him, but no physical assault occurred.

Suspicious Event 24-012364

Jiffy Lube

210 Maple Avenue, West

November 9 3:20 p.m.

On November 10, the manager reported an incident with a disorderly customer that occurred the day before.

Trespassing 24-012332

My Eye Doctor

409 Maple Avenue, West

November 9 3:47 p.m.

A customer began acting disorderly in the office and was escorted out by their family members. At the request of the office management, the customer was trespassed from the premises.

Suspicious Event 24-012337

Qamaria Yemeni Coffee Co.

124 Maple Avenue, West

November 9 7:21 p.m.

Employees reported a man was in the business acting disorderly and threatening the other customers. Officers located the man in the area and, at the request of the management, trespassed him from the establishment.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 24-012343

7-Eleven

427 Maple Avenue, East

November 9 8:51 p.m.

An officer checked on the welfare of a man he observed stumbling into the roadway. Upon the officer's interaction with the man, he detected signs of intoxication.

Ofc. Vance arrested the 22-year-old man from Cedar Lane, SE in Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Drunk in Public.

Animal Case 24-012365

100 Block Glyndon Street, SE

November 10 8:30 a.m.

A resident parked his vehicle in the shopping center parking lot. As he stepped out of the vehicle he was attacked by a raccoon. The animal quickly fled toward the road. The man immediately sought medical attention and began a series of rabies shots as a precaution.

Suspicious Person 24-012390

Qamaria Yemeni Coffee Co.

124 Maple Avenue, West

November 11 7:33 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a man in the area who had previously been trespassed from the store. After speaking to the employees, it was determined that the man never entered the establishment, and no crime occurred.

Found Property 24-012402

Sweet Leaf Restaurant

262 Maple Avenue, East

November 12 11:11 a.m.

An employee turned in a purse that was left by a customer.

Animal Case 24-012427

100 Block Oakmont Court, NE

November 12 10:48 p.m.

An officer responded to the report of possible animal neglect. ACO Barker spoke to the dog's owner who stated the dog has health issues and is under the care of a veterinarian to resolve the issues. ACO Barker observed the dog's living conditions and confirmed with the veterinarian that the dog was under his care. The officers found no indication that the animal was being neglected.

Assist EMS 24-012443

Cedar Lane School

101 Cedar Lane, SW

November 13 8:55 a.m.

An officer responded with rescue personnel for the report of an adult student who had harmed herself. Rescue personnel transported the student to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries for treatment and evaluation.

Trespassing 24-012457

Stretch Lab

318 Maple Avenue, West

November 13 6:53 p.m.

An employee reported a man who was in the business harassing her and her client. At the request of the management, an officer trespassed the man from the premises.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 24-012461

Lawyers Road and Sharon Lane, SW

November 14 12:57 a.m.

An officer observed a driver commit a series of traffic offenses and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the man, he detected signs of impairment. The man failed to complete a series of field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest.

Ofc. Temple transported the 40-year-old man from South Arlington Ridge Road in Arlington, Virginia to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where a sample of his blood was taken for analysis, and he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

CASE UPDATES

None.

CRASHES

Church Street and Lawyers Road, NW 24-012199

November 6 11:47 a.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling southbound on Lawyers Road, NW. Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound on Church Street, NW. As Vehicle-1 entered the intersection, the two vehicles collided.

150 Maple Avenue, West 24-012335

November 9 6:15 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 was turning left from a parking lot in violation of a No Left Turn sign. Vehicle-1 sideswiped Vehicle-2.

400 Block Courthouse Road, SW 24-012362

November 10 4:00 a.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling northbound on Courthouse Road, SW when the driver's right front tire popped causing her to lose control of the vehicle and strike a speed limit sign and guardrail.

315 Center Street, North 24-012410

November 12 1:53 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling northbound on Center Street when the right front corner of the vehicle struck a utility pole.

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

Lawyers Road and Church Street, NW 24-012418

November 12 5:39 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling northbound on Lawyers Road, NW. Vehicle-1 was traveling eastbound on Church Street, NW. As Vehicle-1 entered the intersection, the two vehicles collided.

Driver-2 was transported by rescue personnel to an area hospital with a non-life-threatening injury.

100 Block Park Street, SE 24-012447

November 13 11:21 a.m.

Two vehicles were traveling northbound on Park Street, SE. Vehicle-1 attempted to make a U-turn into a parking lot and the two vehicles collided causing minor damage to both vehicles.

Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information on any of these cases at

Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov or 703-255-6324.

CITIZEN NOTES

The Vienna Police Department is proud to once again participate with the Fairfax County Police and other local police agencies in the Santa's Ride, bringing gifts to children in local hospitals this holiday season. Please contact Ruth Rohr if you have any questions at 703-255-6324.

Please drop off your new unwrapped toys and books at the Vienna Police Station – 215 Center St., S, the Vienna Town Hall – 127 Center St., S (Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.), or the Vienna Community Center – 120 Cherry St., SE. **Please make your donation before 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 8.**

****If you would prefer not to drop your donations off in person, you can do your online shopping and have your donation shipped directly to the Vienna Police Station.****



Santa's Ride 2024

Presented by the
Fairfax County Police Department Motor Squad with the support of:

- Fairfax County Sheriff's Office**
- Falls Church Sheriff's Office**
- Vienna Police Department**
- Virginia State Police**
- Fairfax City Police Department**
- Metropolitan Washington Airport Authority Police**
- Herndon Police Department**

Donate **NEW** unwrapped toys, games, books, and gifts to be distributed to children at Fairfax Inova Children's Hospital, Inova Life with Cancer, and to other children in the community who might not otherwise have a cheerful holiday season!

Don't have a toy with you today?
Follow the QR code to donate:



Please bring your items to any Fairfax County Police Station, the lobby of Pennino and Herrity Office Buildings, or the Fairfax County Government Center no later than Monday, December 9th at 9AM.

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Public Service Announcement

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Questions regarding this PSA should be directed to your local **FBI Field Office**.

Local Field Office Locations: www.fbi.gov/contact-us/field-offices

Violent Online Groups Extort Minors to Self-Harm and Produce Child Sexual Abuse Material

The FBI is warning the public of violent online groups deliberately targeting minor victims on publicly available messaging platforms to extort them into recording or live-streaming acts of self-harm and producing child sexual abuse material (CSAM). These groups use threats, blackmail, and manipulation to control the victims into recording or live-streaming self-harm, sexually explicit acts, and/or suicide; the footage is then circulated among members to extort victims further and exert control over them.

VIOLENT ONLINE GROUPS

The violent online groups use many names, including 676, 764, CVLT, Court, Kaskar, Harm Nation, Leak Society, and H3ll, but continuously evolve and form subgroups under different monikers. They operate on publicly available platforms, such as social media sites or mobile applications. To gain access to a majority of these groups, prospective members are required to live-stream or upload videos depicting their minor victims harming animals or committing self-harm, suicide, murder, or other acts of violence. The key motivators of these groups are to gain notoriety and rise in status within their groups.

TARGETING

The groups target minors between the ages of 8 and 17 years old, especially LGBTQ+ youth, racial minorities, and those who struggle with a variety of mental health issues, such as depression and suicidal ideation.

EXTORTION AND SELF-HARM

The groups use extortion and blackmail tactics, such as threatening to SWAT¹ or DOX² the minor victims, if they do not comply with the groups' requests, manipulate and extort minors into producing CSAM and videos depicting animal cruelty and self-harm. Self-harm activity includes cutting, stabbing, or fansigning³. Members of the groups threaten to share sexually explicit videos or photos of the minor victims with their family, friends, and/or post to the internet. The groups control their victims through extreme fear and many members have an end-goal of forcing the minors they extort into committing suicide on live-stream for their own entertainment or their own sense of fame.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The FBI urges the public to exercise caution when posting or direct messaging personal photos, videos, and identifying information on social media, dating apps, and other online sites. Although seemingly innocuous when posted or shared, the images and videos can provide malicious actors an abundant supply of content to exploit for criminal activity. Advancements in content creation technology and accessible personal images online present new opportunities for malicious actors to find and target minor victims. This leaves them vulnerable to embarrassment, harassment, extortion, financial loss, or continued long-term re-victimization. Further, the FBI recommends looking out for warning signs indicating a minor may be experiencing self-harm or suicidal ideations. Being able to recognize the warning signs of self-harm will help you provide immediate support.

The FBI recommends the public consider the following warning signs regarding self-harm or suicide:

- Sudden behavior changes such as becoming withdrawn, moody, or irritable.
- Sudden changes in appearance, especially neglect of appearance.
- Changes in eating or sleeping habits.
- Dropping out of activities and becoming more isolated and withdrawn.
- Scars, often in patterns.
- Fresh cuts, scratches, bruises, bite marks, burns, or other wounds.
- Carvings, such as words or symbols, on the skin.
- Wearing long sleeves or pants in hot weather.
- Threatening to commit suicide and openly talking about death, not being wanted or needed or not being around.

The FBI recommends the public consider the following when sharing content (e.g., photos and videos) or engaging with individuals online:

- Monitor children's online activity and discuss risks associated with sharing personal content.

- Use discretion when posting images, videos, and personal content online, particularly those that include children or their information.
 - Images, videos, or personal information posted online can be captured, manipulated, and distributed by malicious actors without your knowledge or consent.
 - Once content is shared on the internet, it can be extremely difficult, if not impossible, to remove once it is circulated or posted by other parties.
- Run frequent online searches of you and your children's information (e.g., full name, address, phone number, etc.) to help identify the exposure and spread of personal information on the internet.
- Apply privacy settings on social media accounts—including setting profiles and your friends' lists as private—to limit the public exposure of your photos, videos, and other personal information.
- Consider using reverse image search engines to locate any photos or videos that have circulated on the internet without your knowledge.
- Exercise caution when accepting friend requests, communicating, engaging in video conversations, or sending images to individuals, you do not know personally. Be especially wary of individuals who immediately ask or pressure you to provide them photos or videos. Those items could be screen-captured, recorded, manipulated, shared without your knowledge or consent, and used to exploit you or someone you know.
- Do not provide any unknown or unfamiliar individuals with money or other items of value. Complying with malicious actors does not guarantee your sensitive photos or content will not be shared.
- Use discretion when interacting with known individuals online who appear to be acting outside their normal pattern of behavior. Malicious actors can easily manipulate hacked social media accounts.
- Secure social media and other online accounts using complex passwords or passphrases and multi-factor authentication.
- Research the privacy, data sharing, and data retention policies of social media platforms, apps, and websites before uploading and sharing images, videos, or other personal content.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

If you are worried about someone who might be self-harming or is at risk of suicide the following resources may help:

- Consult your pediatrician or other health care provider who can provide an initial evaluation or a referral to a mental health professional.

- Connecting your child to a mental health resource can help them learn healthy coping skills for intense emotions and help reduce the risk of a serious injury.
- If it is an immediate, life-threatening emergency dial 9-1-1.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children provides a free service known as **Take It Down**, which helps minor victims, even if they are now an adult, but were victimized as a minor, with online image or video files, remove or stop the online sharing of nude, or sexually explicit content taken while under 18 years old. For more information, visit <https://takeitdown.ncmec.org>.

If you believe you are the victim of a crime using these types of tactics, retain all information regarding the incident (e.g., usernames, email addresses, websites or names of platforms used for communication, photos, videos, etc.) and immediately report it to:

- FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center at www.ic3.gov
- FBI Field Office [www.fbi.gov/contact-us/field-offices or 1-800-CALL-FBI (225-5324)]
- National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (1-800-THE LOST or www.cybertipline.org)

Reporting these crimes can help law enforcement identify malicious actors and prevent further victimization.

¹SWAT also referred to as SWATTING is the action or practice of making a prank call to police or emergency services in an attempt bring about the dispatch of armed police officers such as a SWAT team to a particular address.

²DOX also referred to as DOXXING is the action of obtaining and publishing personally identifiable information (PII) on the internet, usually for malicious intent.

³Fansigning is writing or cutting specific numbers, letters, symbols, or names onto your body.



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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 <https://www.emergencyprofile.org/>.

