



## VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

January 24, 2025

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 17, 2025 to January 23, 2025. 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](mailto: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 call 911.**

## **INCIDENTS**

### **Fraud 25-00449**

**200 Block Audreys Court, SE**

**Between January 10 at 11:43 a.m. and January 17 at 1:51 p.m.**

A resident reported that someone made unauthorized purchases on one of her accounts.

### **Fraud 25-00384**

**Whole Foods**

**143 Maple Avenue, East**

**January 14 between 8:45 p.m. and 9:45 p.m.**

An employee received a notification from his bank of an unauthorized purchase made on one of his credit cards. He then discovered that his cards and U.S. currency were missing from his wallet. A review of the store's security camera showed an unknown man entered the employee's locker room and rummaged through lockers.

### **Animal Case – Quarantine 25-00392**

**Hope Advanced Veterinary Center**

**140 Park Street, SE**

**January 15 4:00 p.m.**

A cat bit a technician during a medical procedure. The Veterinary Center was advised of the cat's 10-day quarantine.

### **Police Service 25-00418**

**Hope Advanced Veterinary Center**

**140 Park Street, SE**

**January 17 10:55 a.m.**

An employee was receiving concerning messages from her ex-boyfriend's girlfriend.

### **Shoplifting 25-00493**

**Virginia ABC Store**

**419 Maple Avenue, East**

**January 18 8:41 p.m.**

On January 20, an employee reported a shoplifting that occurred on January 18. While reviewing their security videos they observed a man take a bottle of alcohol and leave the store without paying for it.

### **Found Property 25-00476**

**Vienna Presbyterian Church**

**124 Park Street, NE**

**January 19 10:55 a.m.**

A license plate was found outside of the Church.

**Police Service 25-00477**

**Princeton Terrace, SW**

**January 19 11:00 a.m.**

An officer spoke to a resident regarding issues he stated he was having with his family.

**Arrest – Warrant Service 25-00480**

**iCode**

**419 Maple Avenue, East**

**January 19 4:08 p.m.**

A Fairfax County warrant was served on the owner of the business. Ofc. Working arrested the 46-year-old man from Marshall Pond Road in Burke, Virginia. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the County's warrant charging Operating a Child Day Program Without a License was served on him.

**Petit Larceny 25-00484**

**7-11**

**427 Maple Avenue, East**

**January 19 7:50 p.m.**

An employee reported a male in his late teens entered the store and concealed condoms in his pocket. When the employee confronted the male, he left the store without paying for them. The employee did not wish to pursue charges.

**Arrest – Assault 25-00486**

**100 Block Maple Avenue, West**

**January 19 9:30 p.m.**

An Uber driver reported one of his customers began making racial remarks. The driver stopped the vehicle and requested the customer get out. The customer spat on the driver, made threatening statements, and began walking away when the driver called for police assistance.

Ofc. Dworzniak located the 53-year-old man from Greensboro Drive in McLean Virginia. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Assault.

**Police Service 25-00492**

**Blair Road, NW**

**January 20 2:05 p.m.**

A resident said her adult daughter made concerning statements before walking out of the house. Officers located the woman on the W&OD Trail near Mill Street, NE. After speaking with the officers, the woman agreed to let them transport her to an area medical facility for evaluation.

**Fraud 25-00511****1100 Block Pekay Street, SW****January 21 between 2:31 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.**

A resident received a phone call where the caller identified themselves as being with a local police jurisdiction and advised the resident that they had a fine to resolve. The resident immediately hung up and called the jurisdiction to confirm the call was fraudulent.

**Suspicious Event 25-00522****200 Block Charles Street, SE****January 21 8:28 p.m.**

A resident reported text messages her child is receiving from the child's father. The officer found no crime was committed.

**Traffic Stop 25-00559****Lawyers Road and Abbotsford Drive****January 22 11:50 p.m.**

An officer observed a vehicle commit a traffic offense and initiated a traffic stop. During the stop, the officer found the man was on supervised probation in the state of Michigan. Contact was made with the man's parole officer to confirm that he was permitted to travel out of Michigan. The man was issued a summons for the traffic offense and released on his signature.

**Arrest – Warrant Service 25-00583****1000 Block Fairway Drive, NE****January 23 4:49 p.m.**

At the request of the Winchester Police Department, Ofc. Working responded to a residence and served a summons on a 22-year-old man charging Parking Meter Violation.

**Arrest – Warrant Service 25-00586****700 Block Nutley Street, SW****January 23 8:26 p.m.**

Ofc. Dworznik responded to an address and arrested a 39-year-old female resident who was wanted in Fairfax County on a capias charging Failure To Appear on Domestic Assault. The woman was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the capias was served.

**CASE UPDATES**

None.

## **CRASHES**

### **200 Block Cedar Lane, SE 25-00342**

**January 14 11:00 a.m.**

Vehicle-2 was legally parked in the parking lot of the Cedar Lane Shopping Center. Vehicle-1 was pulling into a nearby space when the snowplow on the front of his vehicle struck Vehicle-2.

### **Maple Avenue near Branch Road, SE 25-00385**

**January 15 5:39 p.m.**

Vehicle-1 was turning left from the parking lot of 395 Maple Avenue to go westbound. Vehicle-2 was in the left turn lane, westbound on Maple Avenue when the two vehicles collided.

### **Mill Street near Church Street, NE 25-00395**

**January 16 1:10 p.m.**

Two vehicles were traveling southbound on Mill Street. Vehicle-1 stopped on the roadway and began to reverse in the travel lane, striking Vehicle-2.

### **Lawyers Road and Church Street, NW 25-00399**

**January 16 3:40 p.m.**

Vehicle-2 was traveling southbound on Lawyers Road turning left onto Church Street. Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound on Church Street turning left onto Lawyers Road when the two vehicles collided.

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

### **Nutley Street and Kingsley Road, SW 25-00412**

**January 17 8:13 a.m.**

Two vehicles were traveling in the same lane, southbound on Nutley Street. Traffic began to slow and Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2. Driver-1 was transported to an area hospital by rescue personnel with a non-life-threatening injury.

### **Locust Street and Glyndon Street, SE 25-00426**

**January 17 3:32 p.m.**

Vehicle-2 was turning left from eastbound Locust Street onto southbound Glyndon Street. Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound on Locust Street when the two vehicles collided.

### **Nutley Street near Kingsley Road, SW 25-00452**

**January 18 1:24 p.m.**

Two vehicles were traveling southbound on Nutley Street. A third unknown vehicle cut off Vehicle-1 causing the driver to stop abruptly and Vehicle-2 ran into the rear of Vehicle-1 causing minor damage.

### **Kingsley Road and Ware Street, SW 25-00457**

**January 18 3:45 p.m.**

Vehicle-1 was traveling northbound on Ware Street. Vehicle-2 was traveling westbound on Kingsley Road when the two vehicles collided.

**100 Block Patrick Street, SE 25-00488**

**January 20 9:30 a.m.**

Vehicle-2 was legally parked in a parking space. Vehicle-1 stuck Vehicle-2 and fled the scene without stopping to provide their information.

**Meadow Lane and Nanterry Circle, SW 25-00554**

**January 22 6:40 a.m.**

Vehicle-1 was turning left from Meadow Lane onto Nanterry Circle when the driver-side door struck a pedestrian, knocking him to the ground. The driver immediately got out of the vehicle to assist the pedestrian who did not appear to have suffered any injuries. The pedestrian did not want to exchange information with the driver and left the area. There was no damage to the vehicle.

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

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## **CITIZEN NOTES**

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



**September 12, 2023**

Alert Number

**I-091223-PSA**

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

Local Field Office Locations: [www.fbi.gov/contact-us/field-offices](https://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 SWAT<sup>1</sup> or DOX<sup>2</sup> 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 fansigning<sup>3</sup>. 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](http://www.ic3.gov)
- FBI Field Office [[www.fbi.gov/contact-us/field-offices](http://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](http://www.cybertipline.org))

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

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<sup>1</sup>SWAT 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.

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

<sup>3</sup>Fansigning 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/>.

