



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

March 7, 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 February 28, 2025 to March 6, 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)

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 25-01293

Veterinary Surgical Center

140 Park Street, SE

February 14 between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

An employee reported that someone has been using their practice's information to forge prescriptions. A detective found the forgeries occurred outside of Vienna. The employee was advised to file a report with the jurisdictions where the crimes occurred.

House Fire 25-01703

300 Block Blair Court, NW

February 27 1:26 a.m.

Officers assisted with traffic control while Fire and Rescue personnel worked to extinguish a house fire. One of the residents was transported with non-life-threatening injuries.

Petit Larceny 25-01750

Navy Federal Credit Union

820 Follin Lane, SE

February 27 between 2:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

A credit union employee reported both of his tags stolen from his vehicle. The officer's investigation found that the crime occurred outside of town, not at the credit union. The employee was advised to report the theft to the jurisdiction where it occurred.

Grand Larceny 25-01959

400 Block East Street, NE

Between February 28 at 9:00 a.m. and March 5 at 9:00 a.m.

A resident reported that she mailed a check from her mailbox on February 28th. On March 5th, she received a call from her bank regarding suspicious activity on her account. She then discovered that the check she mailed was stolen, altered, and cashed.

Open Door 25-01762

800 Block Cottage Street, SW

February 28 9:58 a.m.

Officers responding to a residential alarm found an unsecured door. The officers searched the residence and found nothing that appeared suspicious.

Trespassing 25-01779

Vienna Presbyterian Church

124 Park Street, NE

February 28 12:13 p.m.

An employee requested an officer's assistance in trespassing a man from the premises. Officers spoke to the man who refused to identify himself. The man was advised that if he returned, he would be charged with trespassing.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 25-01792

Vienna Community Center

120 Cherry Street, SE

February 28 2:30 p.m.

A citizen wanted to speak to an officer regarding his mental health and his living situation out of state. A relative came to the community center and the man agreed to leave with him

Police Service 25-01794

Whole Foods

143 Maple Avenue, East

February 28 4:15 p.m.

A store employee reported an elderly woman in the store who was confused and needed assistance. Officers located the woman's son who responded and transported her home.

Juvenile Case 25-01795

Lacrosse Unlimited

209 Maple Avenue, East

February 28 4:30 p.m.

An employee reported a group of juveniles in the alleyway who were attempting to scale the exterior of the building and repeatedly trying to open the rear door of the business. An officer located the juveniles and counseled them on their behavior.

Petit Larceny 25-01801

Virginia ABC Store

419 Maple Avenue, East

February 28 7:49 p.m.

An employee reported a man took two bottles of alcohol and left the store without paying for them. Officers searched the area but were unable to locate the man.

Assist Officer 25-01838

Maple Avenue and Nutley Street, SW

March 2 1:38 a.m.

Officers assisted Virginia State Police with a traffic stop following a pursuit.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 25-01859

Simply Social

260 Cedar Lane, SE

March 2 10:31 p.m.

A resident was concerned for his well-being and believed some individuals were stalking him. Officers escorted the resident home, searched his home for him to ensure there was nothing suspicious, and provided him with resources that were available to further assist him.

Sex Offense 25-01862
Church of the Holy Comforter
Hypothermia Shelter
543 Beulah Road, NE
March 3 2:10 a.m.

A woman staying at the shelter for the night reported that she was inappropriately touched by a man staying at the shelter.

Domestic Assault 25-01883
Kingsley Road, SW
March 3 6:31 p.m.

A resident reported her estranged husband assaulted her. She would not show the officer her injury but stated she would be going to a medical facility for treatment. A short time later, the estranged husband came to the station and spoke to an officer, advising he and his wife argued, but it did not escalate to an assault. Officers advised the wife of the warrant process should she wish to pursue charges.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 25-01885
800 Block Nutley Street, SW
March 3 9:33 p.m.

An officer observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, they detected signs of impairment. The driver failed to perform a series of field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest.

PFC Stroh transported the 28-year-old woman from Blake Lane in Oakton, Virginia to the Vienna Police Station where she refused to provide a sample of her breath for analysis. The woman was then transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where a sample of her blood was taken for analysis and she was charged with Driving While Intoxicated, Refusal, and Speeding.

Burglary 25-01911
TintFX
396 Maple Avenue, East
March 4 between 2:38 a.m. and 3:00 a.m.

The owner of the business reported a burglary that occurred during the night. The security camera showed an unknown man forced entry into the business. A cell phone and a car key fob were taken.

Attempted Petit Larceny 25-01930
CVS Pharmacy
337 Maple Avenue, East
March 4 4:30 p.m.

An employee reported a man began concealing merchandise in a backpack. When he confronted the man, he put the items back and left the store.

Arrest – Domestic Assault 25-01934

Cottage Street, SW

March 4 6:00 p.m.

A resident reported that her husband assaulted her. The woman sustained a minor injury to her face.

PFC Mayar arrested the 45-year-old man from Cottage Street, SW in Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Domestic Assault and a protective order was issued.

Domestic Dispute 25-01967

Kingsley Road, SW

March 5 6:56 p.m.

Officers responded to a verbal dispute between a husband and wife.

Trespassing 25-01973

Pazzo Pomodoro

118 Branch Road, SE

March 6 12:09 a.m.

An employee reported a man came into the establishment and began causing a disturbance with a couple in the restaurant. An officer spoke to the man who advised that the couple was his ex-girlfriend and her date. He knew she was in the restaurant and he was attempting to collect some of his property from her. The employee trespassed the man from the establishment. The officer advised him that he would be charged with trespassing if he returned.

CASE UPDATES

None.

CRASHES

Cabin Road near Glyndon Street, SE 25-01598

February 24 10:51 a.m.

Vehicle-1 struck a street sign and fled the scene.

800 Block Maple Avenue, East 25-01657

February 25 4:55 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling in the same lane. Vehicle-2 slowed in traffic. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

1000 Block Hillcrest Drive, SW 25-1759

February 28 9:10 a.m.

Vehicle-1 a Town of Vienna trash truck was traveling southbound picking up trash from the curb when the driver sideswiped a parked vehicle.

Courthouse Road, SW and 180 Maple Avenue, West 25-01786

February 28 1:11 p.m.

Vehicle-1 attempted to exit the shopping center parking lot to turn right onto Courthouse Road. Vehicle-2 was driving northbound on Courthouse, approaching the green traffic light on Maple Avenue when the two vehicles collided.

Nutley Street, NW and Maple Avenue, West 25-01791

February 28 2:42 p.m.

Two vehicles were southbound on Nutley Street. Vehicle-1 was in the right lane. Vehicle-2 was in the left lane to turn left. As the traffic light turned green, both vehicles pulled forward, and Vehicle-1 attempted to change lanes, colliding with Vehicle-2. There was minor damage to both vehicles.

Maple Avenue, West and Center Street, South 25-01796

February 28 4:53 p.m.

Three vehicles were eastbound on Maple Avenue in the same lane of traffic at the intersection of Center Street with a red traffic light. As the light turned green, Vehicle-3 waited for a pedestrian to cross before turning right onto Center Street. Vehicle-1 saw the traffic light change and began to move forward, striking Vehicle-2 and causing it to strike Vehicle-3.

Knoll Street and Nutley Street, NW 25-01864

March 3 7:32 a.m.

Two vehicles were traveling southbound on Nutley Street at the intersection of Knoll Street. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

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

Kingsley Road and Ware Street, SW 25-01932

March 4 5:39 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was eastbound on Kingsley Road, SW. Vehicle-2 was northbound on Ware Street, SW. The two vehicles collided in the intersection.

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

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

CITIZEN NOTES

Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department



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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/>.

