



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

September 26, 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 September 19, 2025 to September 25, 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)

Citizens are able to access Community Policing data via

https://data.virginia.gov/dataset/community-policing-data/resource/60506bbb-685f-4360-8a8c-30e137ce3615?view_id=0ccc7987-50f5-43eb-a42a-99e595eb587f&filters=AGENCY%20NAME%3AVienna%20Police%20Department.

The Vienna Police Department began complying with this state law when it was enacted in July of 2020. The portal contains statistics on non-consensual investigatory stops made by the Vienna Police Department 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 in the middle of the night. In addition to rifling through unlocked cars for valuables and money, they steal vehicles when they encounter keys left in them. The Vienna Police Department would like to remind our community members to please stay vigilant, secure all vehicles, take vehicle keys inside, and lock all residential and garage doors to deter criminals from targeting your property. Additionally, please call the police if you notice suspicious vehicles or people in your area and share 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 to coordinate resources to identify these suspects.

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

Juvenile Case 25-10589

Fairway Drive, NE

August 11 12:00 p.m.

A detective investigated a case that was referred to our department from Fairfax County Child Protective Services. The detective determined that no crime had occurred. CPS believes the anonymous information may have been a false report made to them.

Juvenile Case 25-010476

Cedar Lane, SE

August 27 2:16 p.m.

A detective investigated a case that was referred to our department from Fairfax County Child Protective Services. The detective determined that no crime had occurred.

Suspicious Event 25-01560

900 Block Cottage Street, SW

Between September 15 at 3:48 p.m. and September 23 at 3:48 p.m.

A resident reported an incident of cyberbullying. The resident advised that shortly after she posted a video on a social media platform, she began receiving multiple threats and harassment. The individuals also began harassing her former places of employment.

Found Property 25-010414

Whole Foods

143 Maple Avenue, East

September 18 3:11 p.m.

A citizen found a SmarTrip card, a bank card, and gift cards in the parking lot.

Police Service 25-010435

Saratoga Way, NE

September 18 9:49 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a dispute between a resident and his adult son. The resident was concerned about his son's mental health and advised that he refused to seek treatment. The officers spoke to his son and determined that he did not require immediate assistance. The resident was provided with information on services that are available to assist them.

Arrest – Stolen Vehicle Recovery 25-010442**Wawa****465 Maple Avenue, West****September 19 7:04 a.m.**

An officer received an alert on a vehicle that had been stolen in Pennsylvania. The officer located the vehicle in the Wawa parking lot and observed a man walk from the store to the vehicle with the keys. Once the vehicle was confirmed to be stolen, Ofc. Temple arrested the 37-year-old man whose address was unknown. The officers found that he also had a stolen firearm in his possession. The man was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where he was charged with Stolen Vehicle, Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon, Convicted Felon Carrying a Concealed Firearm, Possession of a Stolen Firearm, and Providing False Information to a Law Enforcement Officer. He was held without bond.

Police Service 25-01452**200 Block Center Street, North****September 19 10:21 a.m.**

A citizen turned in ammunition for destruction.

Found Property 25-010457**Vienna Police Station****215 Center Street, South****September 19 12:38 p.m.**

A citizen turned in a driver's license they had found.

Trespassing 25-01466**100 Block Woodview Circle, SW****September 19 2:21 p.m.**

A resident reported that earlier in the day, their neighbor was banging on their door, and they wanted to trespass her from their property. Officers spoke to the neighbor and informed them of the trespass notice. The neighbor advised that she was upset over ongoing disputes with the residents, including them taking pictures of her children playing, and other incidents that other neighbors have witnessed.

Petit Larceny 25-010554**Vienna Elementary School****128 Center Street, South****September 20 12:20 a.m.**

A teacher reported that she mistakenly left her backpack with a laptop on the playground. The custodial staff found the backpack and placed it near an entryway to the school for her to pick up. Security video shows a man taking the backpack. An officer located the man, who advised that he had taken it, then placed it in a trash can. The teacher did not wish to pursue charges against the man.

Trespassing 25-010513**Dollar Tree****215 Maple Avenue, West****September 20 4:03 p.m.**

An employee requested assistance with a customer they wanted trespassed from the premises. Officers spoke to the customer and advised him of the trespass notice. The customer completed his purchase and left the premises.

Found Property 25-010514**100 Block Church Street, NW****September 20 4:36 p.m.**

A citizen turned in a wallet they had found.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 25-010531**Battle Street, SW****September 21 between 6:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.**

A resident was out of town when she received a concerning text message from her husband. Officers checked the address but found no one was at home. A lookout was given for the man to the surrounding police jurisdictions as a welfare check. A short time later, a Fairfax County police officer located the man suffering from self-inflicted injuries. The man was transported by rescue personnel to an area hospital in life-threatening condition.

Police Service 25-010543**Giant Food****359 Maple Avenue, East****September 22 1:25 a.m.**

At the request of the Fairfax County Police Department, officers served a protective order on an employee.

Animal Case 25-010545**300 Block Nutley Street, NW****September 22 5:14 a.m.**

An officer responding to the report of an injured deer found the animal was in grave condition and euthanized the deer.

Arrest – Drunk In Public and Assault**100 Block Patrick Street, SE****September 22 8:16 p.m.**

Officers responded to the report of a man chasing his roommate with a machete. The officers located the man sitting on the curb on Patrick Street. The roommate advised that after an argument, the man pushed him, then retrieved a machete and began following him as he ran from the apartment. The man used the machete to damage the railing and frame around a door in the apartment.

Ofc. Ludwick arrested the 60-year-old man from Patrick Street in Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where he was charged with Drunk In Public, Assault, Brandishing a Machete, and Destruction of Property.

Trespassing 25-010573**7-Eleven****427 Maple Avenue, East****September 23 3:15 a.m.**

An employee reported that a man took some items from the store and walked out without paying for them. The employee confronted the man outside the store, where he was able to retrieve the property, but the man began acting disorderly with him. Officers located the man, and at the request of the employee, trespassed him from the store.

Suspicious Event 25-010590**200 Block Cedar Lane, SE****September 23 12:38 p.m.**

The office manager of a lawn company reported that one of their customer service representatives received a threatening phone call.

Destruction of Property 25-010606**300 Block Glyndon Street, SE****Between September 23 at 9:00 p.m. and September 24 at 7:00 a.m.**

A resident reported that someone removed all her lawn lanterns from their posts and damaged them.

Police Service 25-010648**Vienna Police Station****215 Center Street, South****September 24 5:33 p.m.**

A citizen turned in a firearm for destruction.

CASE UPDATES

None.

CRASHES

400 Block Maple Avenue, East 25-010361

September 16 4:40 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling eastbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 exited the parking lot of 428 Maple Avenue to turn left, and the two vehicles collided.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Driving Without a License.

Nutley Street near Courthouse Road, SW 25-010419

September 18 5:40 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling southbound on Nutley Street, approaching Courthouse Road. Vehicle-2 stopped in heavy traffic. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Maintain Proper Control.

Holmes Drive near Upham Place, NW 25-010516

September 20 7:58 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked on Holmes Drive. Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound on Holmes Drive, struck Vehicle-2, went over the curb, and overturned. Both the driver and the juvenile passenger were transported with non-life-threatening injuries.

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

CITIZEN NOTES



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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/>.

