



POLICE CRIME REPORT

December 20, 2020 to December 27, 2020

Monthly Public Safety Information

December is National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month. First started in December of 1981, this campaign focuses on the period between Thanksgiving and Christmas to raise awareness of the issues of impaired driving. This period is regarded as “one of the deadliest and most dangerous times on America’s roadways”. Below are facts provided by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration regarding impaired driving.

- It is illegal to drive with a BAC of 0.08% or higher in 49 states, including the District of Columbia. There is only one state where this is different, Utah, where the legal limit is lower than the national limit at just 0.05% BAC.
- Even if you believe you are not above a 0.08% BAC and only “buzzed” you can still be charged with a DUI. **If you feel different you drive different, buzzed driving is drunk driving.**
- According to the NHSTA, 885 people were killed in traffic incidents involving a drunk driver in just the month of December in 2017. 267 of these fatalities occurred between December 25th (Christmas) and New Year’s Day (January 1st).
- Approximately 33% of all traffic fatalities annually are a result of drunk drivers [BAC of .08%]. In 2017, that was 10,874 lives lost.
- A DUI is not limited to just alcohol consumption. Driving following the consumption of alcohol or narcotics is impaired driving.
- On average, a single DUI could set you back \$10,000 in attorney’s fees, fines, court costs, lost time at work, higher insurance rates, car towing, and more. A second offense could cost you thousands more.
- **If you see someone on the road who you believe is driving impaired, call 9-1-1**

Additional Resources

For additional information regarding National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month, you can visit the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration website below.

<https://www.nhtsa.gov/risky-driving/drunk-driving>

Remember:

– DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER –

Weekly Public Safety and Crime Information

New Year's Eve Safety Tips

The Rockville City Police Department would like to remind residents as we move into 2021 to celebrate responsibly. If you will be traveling for New Year's or staying locally, please remember to adhere to COVID-19 guidelines and drive sober. If you do choose to celebrate with others, please consider the following:

- **Social Distancing:** Remember to wear a mask and keep gatherings limited to 10 people. Consider holding celebrations outside to allow people to distance better.
- **Have a Plan:** Ask a friend who has not been drinking to drive you home. If you are the designated driver, don't partake in any drinking. If you do not have a designated driver, consider Ride Share Services such as Uber, Lyft, or a taxi.
- **Avoid Fireworks:** In Maryland, private use and possession of fireworks, to include any firecracker, skyrocket, Roman candle, or sparklers, is illegal and carries a \$500 fine. It is against the law to sell fireworks in Maryland, and carries a \$1,000 fine. Not only are fireworks against the law, they can lead to severe injuries to yourself and others. Make the choice to celebrate responsibly and enjoy the holiday safely!

Additional Resources

For additional information regarding winter and holiday safety, see the resources provided to you below.

Washington Regional Alcohol Program (WRAP)

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

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration – Winter Driving Tips

<https://www.nhtsa.gov/winter-driving-tips>

D.C. Metropolitan Police Department – Holiday Safety

<https://mpdc.dc.gov/page/winter-holiday-safety-tips>

The Rockville City Police Department is committed to protecting and serving all members of the public. By following the safety tips and resources provided above, you can help us help you by taking steps to inform yourself on public safety issues to prevent yourself from becoming a victim.

If you have a crime or concern to report, you can call the Rockville City Police Department at:

Non-Emergency: 240-314-8900

Emergency: 9-1-1

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!

Rockville City Police Reported Incidents

The Rockville City Police Department provides a weekly Crime Report of serious incidents to serve as an overview of police activity occurring within the City Limits of Rockville. Please note this summary does not include every reported incident that has occurred during this time frame.

It is to be noted that the words “arrested” and “charged” do not imply guilt.

ARRESTS

12/23/20, a male, age 31, was arrested for second degree assault, second degree assault of a law enforcement officer, disorderly conduct, intoxicated public disturbance, and public intoxication following an incident that occurred in the 2100 block of Veirs Mill Road.

INCIDENTS

Multiple Locations: 600 block Edmonston Drive, 1100 block Maple Avenue - 4 complainants report that an unknown subject removed US Currency, sunglasses, and tools from unsecured motor vehicles between 10:00 p.m. on 12/20/20 and 4:30 a.m. on 12/21/20.

800 block Rockville Pike, the complainant reports that an unknown subject forcefully removed a PlayStation 5 from the complainant between 11:14 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. on 12/24/20. **The suspect is described as:**

B/M - approx. 5 feet 4 inches, 120 pounds, Thin Build – No further information is available

200 block Fallsgrove Boulevard, the complainant reports that an unknown subject removed two packages containing jewelry and toys from a residential address between 1:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on 12/24/20.

1800 block Rockville Pike, the complainant reports that an unknown subject removed food items from a business without paying for the items between 9:30 p.m. and 9:55 p.m. on 12/27/20.

1500 block Rockville Pike, the complainant reports that three unknown subjects removed grocery items and electronics from a business without paying for the items between 6:38 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on 12/16/20.



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