



POLICE CRIME REPORT

October 4, 2021 to October 10, 2021

Weekly Public Safety and Crime Information

October is National Crime Prevention Month! The Rockville City Police Department is committed to protecting and serving the citizens of Rockville and its visitors. As part of national crime prevention month, the Rockville City Police Department is providing citizens with tips that can reduce your chances of becoming a victim of a crime, and ways that you can help police in making Rockville a safer city for everyone.

Stop Cyber Bullying!

Bullying is heartbreaking. It is defined as aggressive behavior that is persistent, intentional, and involves an imbalance of power or strength. Bullying is now seen as a serious problem by parents, educators, medical and mental health professionals, and scholars. Although bullying was once considered a rite of passage, parents, educators, and community leaders now see bullying as a devastating form of abuse that can have long-term effects on youthful victims, robbing them of self-esteem, isolating them from their peers, causing them to drop out of school, and even prompting health problems and suicide.

Now, bullying has followed teens online. Cyberbullying is a modern twist on traditional bullying. Cyberbullying is defined as use of the Internet, cell phones, or other devices to send or post text or images intended to hurt or embarrass another person. Cyberbullying includes such things as sending malicious emails, spreading rumors or threats, and posting embarrassing or intimate photos of a person -sometimes altered – without their permission. Frequently, the audience is enormous. And what lives in cyberspace can never be fully erased.

The Effects of Cyber Bullying:

Victims of cyberbullying may experience many of the same effects as children who are bullied in person, such as a drop in grades, low self-esteem, a change in interests, or depression. However, cyberbullying can seem more extreme to its victims because of several factors:

- It occurs in the child's home. Being bullied at home can take away the place children feel most safe.
- It can be harsher. Often kids say things online that they wouldn't say in person, mainly because they can't see the other person's reaction.
- It can be far reaching. Kids can send emails making fun of someone to their entire class or school with a few clicks, or post them on a website for the whole world to see.
- It can be anonymous. Cyberbullies often hide behind screen names and email addresses that don't identify who they are. Not knowing who is responsible for bullying messages can add to a victim's insecurity.
- It may seem inescapable. It may seem easy to get away from a cyberbully by just getting offline, but for some kids not going online takes away one of the major places they socialize.

What your children can do to reduce their risk of cyber bullying

- Never give out personal information online, whether it is in instant messaging, chat rooms, blogs or personal websites.
- Never tell **anyone** (but your parent) your password. This includes not even telling friends.
- If you receive a mean or threatening message, **DO NOT RESPOND**. Save it or print it out and show it to your parents.
- **NEVER** open e-mails from someone you don't know or from someone you know is a bully.
- **DO NOT PUT ANYTHING ONLINE THAT YOU WOULD NOT WANT YOUR CLASSMATES OR PARENTS TO SEE.**
- Do not send messages when you are angry. Before clicking "send", ask yourself how you would feel if you received the message.

What your children can do if they are experiencing cyber bullying

- Tell an adult you trust about what's going on.
- Don't delete any of the emails, texts, or messages. They can serve as evidence.
- Keep a record of incidents.
- Don't forward any mean messages that spread rumors about you or someone else.
- Don't cyberbully back. Revenge is never the best answer.
- If possible, report the incident to the administrator of the website. Many websites including Facebook and YouTube have safety centers to report cyberbullying.
- Recognize that you don't deserve to be treated that way, and you deserve respect.

Since most cyberbullying takes place at home, parents can help protect their children from cyberbully by following these few simple tips:

- Keep your home computer in a busy area of the house.
- Set up e-mail and chat accounts with your children. Make sure that you know their screen names and passwords and that they don't include any personal information in their online profiles. Don't forward any mean messages that spread rumors about you or someone else.
- Regularly go over their instant messenger "buddy list" with them. Ask who each person is and how your children know him or her. If possible, report the incident to the administrator of the website. Many websites including Facebook and YouTube have safety centers to report cyberbullying.
- Discuss cyberbullying with your children and ask them if they have ever experienced it or know about it happening to someone.

Additional Resources

For more information about Crime Prevention Month, please see the resources below to help keep you and others informed about ways to stay safe.

<https://www.ncpc.org/programs/crime-prevention-month/>

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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

10/04/21, a male, age 44, was arrested for second degree assault and malicious destruction of property following an incident that occurred in the 1000 block of Paul Drive.

10/10/21, a male, age 31, was arrested for driving under the influence following an incident that occurred at the intersection of Hungerford Drive and Mannakee Street.

INCIDENTS

200 block Taylor Avenue, the complainant reports that an unknown subject smashed a car window between 1:18 a.m. and 1:40 a.m. on 10/04/21.

600 block Dover Road, the complainant reports that an unknown subject removed a catalytic converter from a motor vehicle between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on 10/03/21.

600 block Dover Road, the complainant reports that an unknown subject removed a catalytic converter from a motor vehicle at 6:09 p.m. on 10/05/21.

1000 block Rockville Pike, the complainant reports that an unknown subject removed two Apple iPhones from a business without paying for the items between 12:30 a.m. and 12:45 a.m. on 10/06/21. **The suspect is described as:**

B/M – approx. 5 feet 7 inches tall, 170 pounds - Last seen wearing: gray sneakers, black pants, black sweater, black cap

1100 block Seven Locks Road, the complainant reports that an unknown subject forced entry into a motor vehicle and removed two purses containing Identification cards, credit cards, US currency, and sunglasses between 3:47 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on 10/06/21.

Intersection of Wootton Parkway and Greenplace Terrace, the complainant reports that an unknown subject displayed a knife and assaulted the complainant between 1:20 a.m. and 1:30 a.m. on 10/07/21.

1600 block Rockville Pike, the complainant reports that an unknown subject removed a cellphone and tablet from an unsecured business between 4:00 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. on 10/07/21.

400 block Watkins Pond Boulevard, the complainant reports that an unknown subject removed a bag containing a wallet, identification cards, credit cards, and earphones from an unsecured residence between 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. on 10/07/21.

1900 block Lewis Avenue, the complainant reports that an unknown subject removed a catalytic converter from an unsecured motor vehicle between 09/01/21 and 09/25/21. **Report received 10/08/21.**

100 block East Montgomery Avenue, the complainant reports that an unknown subject assaulted the complainant between 7:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. on 10/08/21.



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