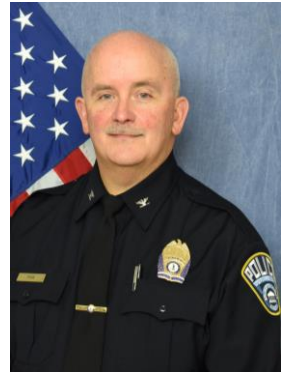


MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE

Reported shoplifting offenses in Arlington County increased 75% in 2024, rising from 1,060 incidents in 2023 to 1,863 in 2024. Addressing retail theft continues to be an area of focus for our officers and detectives with the Arlington County Police Department (ACPD) taking a three-pronged approach of enforcement, deterrence and education.

As part of these efforts, ACPD conducted a focused enforcement effort in Pentagon City on Friday, August 22nd, 2025, involving a coordinated response by officers assigned to the Evening Patrol Section, Community Action Team (CAT) and the Criminal Investigations Section (CIS) who worked with local and regional retail managers in planning and conducting this detail to identify and apprehend individuals suspected of theft. The enforcement effort resulted in the arrest of numerous suspects who were charged with a total of 15 felony and 30 misdemeanor offenses. As time and resources permit, ACPD continues to conduct focused enforcement efforts in Arlington's retail areas.



ACPD also recognizes the importance of working with the business community to understand and address their concerns pertaining to crime and quality of life issues. ACPD has developed a [business safety initiatives tips flyer](#) and recommends the following crime prevention tips to help reduce incidents of shoplifting and retail theft:

- Greet customers as they enter your business to highlight to potential shoplifters that you and your staff are actively engaged.
- Ensure you can see everything that goes on in your store.
- Keep counters low and mount mirrors in corners so there are no blind spots.
- Place high-end items away from exits.
- Alert employees are your best defense. [Report incidents](#) to police for investigation.

Andy Penn,
Chief of Police

ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY

- The Office of Professional Responsibility received nine external personnel complaints in the month of August.
- In August, the department received 12 personnel commendations through community emails and calls.
- Personnel completed 2,148 hours of training in August. Highlights of training topics include but are not limited to Autism Response Protocol, Building Searches and Joint Officer Apprehensions.
- There was one instance of officers performing CPR on an individual experiencing a medical emergency.
- There were four applications of Narcan by officers for an obvious narcotics overdose prior to the arrival of medics on scene.
- There were two applications of Tactical Emergency Casualty Care (TECC) by officers prior to the arrival of medics on scene.

INTERNAL AGENCY UPDATES

- Officer of the Month: Detective D. Gilmore of the Criminal Investigations Section for his efforts to prevent fraud through community education and for conducting comprehensive investigations to hold accountable those responsible for fraud cases.
- Civilian of the Month: Kiyah Daniell of the Media Relations and Public Affairs Office for her commitment to effectively communicating the dedicated work of ACPD personnel as highlighted through the development of a video on ensuring safety during special events.
- At the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police annual conference, Corporal Torres and (fmr.) Corporal DiVincenzo were among 35 Virginia law enforcement officers from 13 agencies recognized with the Award for Valor, their highest honor. The Award for Valor recognizes a law enforcement officer who, in the line of duty, performs an act of extraordinary heroism while engaged with an adversary at imminent personal risk. [Read about their actions](#) and those of the other award recipients.

CRIME PREVENTION AND CONTROL – CRIME DATA

ARREST DATA ¹

Month	2023			2024			2025		
	Adult	Juvenile	Total	Adult	Juvenile	Total	Adult	Juvenile	Total
August	228	19	247	309	15	324	286	9	295
Total (YTD)	2,017	149	1,620	2,099	138	1,622	2,162	128	2,290

GROUP A OFFENSE DATA ²

The Arlington County Police Department reports all crimes using the Federal Bureau of Investigations' National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) and statistics presented below are consistent with data reported to Virginia State Police. All data is preliminary and subject to change based upon follow-up investigations.

August	2023	2024	2025
Total Group A Offenses	902	1,022	823
Crimes Against Persons			
Abduction/Kidnapping	4	4	9
Aggravated Assault	22	24	44
Simple Assault	118	136	132
Intimidation	6	15	14
Human Trafficking	0	0	0
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	1
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0
Sex Offenses – Forcible	10	12	6
Sex Offenses – Non-Forcible	0	0	0
Crimes Against Property			
Arson	1	1	0
Bribery	0	0	0
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	15	15	8
Counterfeiting/Forgery	13	15	5
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	89	82	70
Embezzlement	0	1	0
Extortion/Blackmail	10	7	8
Fraud Offenses	173	151	117
Larceny/Theft Offenses	338	416	297
Motor Vehicle Theft	35	39	21
Robbery	20	25	21
Stolen Property Offenses	4	12	6
Crimes Against Society			
Drug/Narcotic Offenses	36	45	48
Gambling Offenses	0	0	1
Pornography/Obscene Material	2	6	4
Prostitution Offenses	0	4	0
Weapon Law Violations	6	12	11

¹ Arrest month refers to the arrest date, not the date of the offense leading to the arrest. All counts refer to the number of individuals arrested, not the number of charges levied. This is a highlight of common offenses and is not inclusive of every criminal incident investigated by the Department.

² Offense data includes both primary and additional offenses associated with a single case number. Offenses determined to be unfounded through investigation are not included.

CRIME PREVENTION AND CONTROL – INVESTIGATIVE HIGHLIGHTS

August 2025 Criminal Investigation Press Release

- **Man Arrested in Ballston-Virginia Square Homicide Investigation:** On August 17, police were dispatched to the 3400 block of Fairfax Drive for the report of a shooting. Upon arrival, officers located an adult female inside a residence suffering from an apparent gunshot wound. Officers administered lifesaving measures before medics transported her to a local hospital. She later succumbed to her injuries and was pronounced deceased at the hospital. The preliminary investigation indicated the suspect fatally shot his mother inside the residence. The suspect remained on scene when police arrived and he was arrested and charged with Murder – 1st Degree, Aggravated Malicious Wounding and Using a Firearm in the Commission of a Felony. He is being held without bond in the Arlington County Detention Facility.
- **Police Seek Assistance Identifying Peeping Suspect:** In August, ACPD's Special Victim's Unit sought the public's assistance identifying a peeping suspect caught on surveillance during an incident that occurred on August 19 at the Aurora Hills library in which the male suspect looked under the female victim's stall in a women's bathroom.

WARRANT SERVICE, 2025-08130065, 2200 block of Crystal Drive. On August 13, an officer received an alert for a vehicle associated with a felony crime, located the vehicle in the area and conducted a vehicle stop with the assistance of additional responding officers. The suspect, who was the driver of the vehicle, was taken into custody. During the course of the investigation, credit cards not belonging to the suspect were recovered. It was also determined the suspect was driving with a revoked license and he was confirmed to be wanted out of Prince George's County, MD. The suspect was arrested and charged with Credit Card Theft (x2), Driving with a Revoked License and served with the outstanding warrant.

NARCOTICS VIOLATION, 2025-08130187, N. Quincy Street at Fairfax Drive. On August 13, an officer observed a vehicle associated with a wanted individual traveling in the area and conducted a traffic stop. The female suspect, who was a passenger in the vehicle, was taken into custody and confirmed to be wanted by the Arlington County Sheriff's Office. During the course of the investigation, a distribution amount of narcotics were recovered. The suspect was arrested and charged with Possession with Intent to Distribute and was served with the outstanding warrant.

SHOPLIFTING, 2025-08190205, 1400 block of S. Hayes Street. On August 19, police were dispatched to the report of a shoplifting just occurred. Upon arrival, it was determined the male suspect entered the business, collected merchandise and exited without payment. A lookout was broadcast and responding officers located the suspect in the area of Army Navy Drive and S. Hayes Street and took him into custody. During the course of the investigation, it was determined the suspect was previously banned from the two businesses he entered and he was wanted in Arlington County on several charges from prior incidents. Suspected narcotics were also recovered. The suspect was arrested and charged with Shoplifting, Possession of Schedule I/II Controlled Substance, Trespassing (x2) and was served with the outstanding warrants.

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE, 2025-08220015, 4500 block of N. Glebe Road. On August 22, police were dispatched to a single vehicle crash. Upon arrival, it was determined the suspect was driving her vehicle when she left the roadway and crashed into an embankment. The suspect fled the scene on foot prior to police arrival and, with the assistance of the Virginia State Police, she was located in the area of Military Road and Chain Bridge Road and was taken into custody on suspicion of being under the influence. The suspect was arrested and charged with Driving Under the Influence, 3+ Offense.

GRAND LARCENY, 2025-08220156, 2800 block of Clarendon Boulevard. On August 22, police were dispatched to the late report of a larceny. It was determined approximately an hour prior, the male suspect entered the business, concealed over \$1,000 worth of merchandise and exited the store without payment. During the course of the investigation, the suspect was identified and was subsequently located at a residence in the 1200 block of N. Quinn Street and was taken into custody. A search warrant was executed during which suspected narcotics and suspected stolen merchandise were recovered. The suspect was arrested and charged with Grand Larceny, Possession of Schedule I/II Controlled Substance and Larceny with Intent to Sell.

HIT AND RUN, 2025-08230165, S. Glebe Road at 7th Road S. On August 23, police were dispatched to the report of a vehicle crash. Upon arrival, it was determined the male victim was traveling northbound on S. Glebe Road and coming to a stop at a red light when the suspect vehicle rear-ended him. No injuries were reported. The victim exited his vehicle and confronted the suspect, who was the driver of the striking vehicle. The suspect then fled the scene on foot. A lookout was broadcast and responding officers located an individual matching the description of the suspect in the area of S. Glebe Road and 16th Street S. and took him into custody. During the course of the investigation, it was determined the suspect was driving with a revoked license. The suspect began to act disorderly and was suspected of being under the influence. He was arrested and charged with Hit and Run, Driving After Forfeiture of License (DUI) and Public Intoxication.

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

The Police Department is committed to ensuring the safety of all travelers - including bicyclists, pedestrians, and motorists - on our roadways. The Department uses a two-pronged approach to improving transportation safety: education and enforcement. Below are some of the notable actions undertaken in the month of August in support of the Department's key initiative of Transportation Safety.

- The Special Operations Section (SOS) assisted with six escorts and 16 special events during the month of August.
- SOS managed the department's annual [Back-to-School Transportation Safety campaign](#) ensuring safe travels for students returning for the fall school session.
- Motor Officers and Transportation Safety Specialists visited Arlington County neighborhoods during the annual Nation Night Out event.
- SOS's Traffic Management Unit, along with Public Service Aids, Motor Officers and Virginia State Police conducted Operation Curbside Revival, a coordinated parking enforcement initiative aimed at addressing community concerns regarding abandoned vehicles causing a lack of adequate community parking, commercial vehicles parked in violation of posted signage and vehicles displaying improper registration and license plates. The collaborative effort resulted in 11 tickets for vehicles displaying fraudulent Virginia State Inspection stickers, 15 vehicles impounded and 52 total tickets issued.
- ACPD participated in the annual [Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over](#) national enforcement campaign, which coincided with Labor Day weekend, to remind motorists the importance of celebrating responsibly by planning ahead with a sober ride home.

Parking Enforcement Initiative along S. Four Mile Run Drive



DEDICATED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

Program	Hours in August
Laser Speed Enforcement	165
Red Light	238.5
DMV Grant Funded Enforcement	44
Crash Reduction Program	249.5

CRASHES

Crash Type	Crashes in August
Total Crashes	119
Fatal Crashes	0
Serious Injury Crashes	0
Pedestrian-Involved Crashes	4

CITATIONS/WRITTEN WARNINGS

Month	Citations/Written Warnings Issued
August	2,805

Community Engagement on National Night Out



Crossing Guards Welcome Students Back to School



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Since the 1990's, the Police Department has embraced community policing, a philosophy and practice that seeks to involve everyone in the safety and welfare of their community. The Agency is committed to actively engaging with the public to build strong community-based partnerships and foster police interaction and cooperation with those we serve. Below are some of the notable highlights from the month of August in support of the department's key initiative of Community Engagement.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Community Outreach Unit

Events Attended	12
Meetings Attended	7
Presentations Conducted	2
Community Complaints Addressed	3
Residential Safety Survey	2

Business Outreach Unit

Meetings Attended	9
Fake Identifications Collected	230
Bar Safe Violations Issued	0
Special Event Permit Reviews	1
Proactive Engagement Contacts During Nightlife Detail	501

Auxiliary Police Unit

Monthly Service Hours	49
Bicycles Registered	88
Special Events Supported	0

Prescription Drug Take-Back Program

Prescription Medication Disposed Of	397.6 pounds
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COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OUTREACH UNITS



ACPD joined neighbors at barbecues, block parties and other events across Arlington County to celebrate National Night Out on Tuesday, August 5.



On National Pickleball Day, ACPD's Operations and Community Engagement Divisions joined community members at Walter Reed Community Center for some friendly competition and community building!



Members of the Community Engagement Division helped hand out over 500 backpacks at the Arlington Bridge Builder's Back-to-School Celebration at Greenbrier Baptist Church.

PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS



While on patrol, Officers Ryan and Khakhiashvili visited a lemonade stand located at the intersection of Military Road and 24th Road N. and chatted with the kids about the upcoming school year.



Members of ACPD's K9 Unit and Human Resources Section spoke about the vast career opportunities within ACPD during Fox 5 DC's First Responder Friday segment of their Zip Trip to National Landing.



During the Arlington County Fair, held from August 13 - 17, ACPD officers engaged with community members and ensured public safety as patrons enjoyed all the fun and entertainment the fair had to offer!



On August 25, ACPD Officers, Traffic Safety Specialists and Crossing Guards welcomed Arlington Public School students back for the 2025-26 school year!



Cpl. Torres and (fmr.) Cpl. DiVincenzo were recognized with the Award for Valor by the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police & Foundation, their highest honor.



Congratulations are in order as ACPD celebrated the retirement of Crossing Guard Nora Paucar who served the Arlington community for 19 years!



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