

WEEKLY REPORT

December 24 - 30, 2023

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Patrol Division

SERVICE AREA	ACTIVITY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	SUMMARY
1	Suspicious Person	12/24/2023	2:45 am	3300 block of Chauncey Place	Officers responded for the report of a person in the area urinating in public. Officers canvassed the area with negative results.
3	Assault	12/24/2023	4:06 am	3600 block of Rhode Island Avenue	Officers responded for the report of a cutting. Officers met with the reporting person who advised that they were sitting in their vehicle parking in the rear parking lot when another vehicle arrived demanding for them to move. The reporting person went on to mention that once they moved their vehicle, a group of three subjects assaulted them by punching them in the face. The reporting person then pulled out a large knife to defend themselves with the subject grabbing the blade and cutting themselves. All parties refused any further Police services.
1	Breaking and Entering	12/24/2023	4:06 am	2200 block of Varnum Street	Officers received a call for a commercial alarm. Upon arriving on scene, Officers checked the building and found everything secure. Officers made contact with the victim who advised that they watched CCTV footage and discovered a suspect running in the center. Officers searched the entire building finding no one inside and could not find anything missing. Officers found no signs of forced entry. Case numbers were given.

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1	Theft Report	12/24/2023	11:48 am	3000 Queens Chapel Road	Officers responded to a theft report of a necklace that occurred three weeks prior. It is known the caller has Alzheimer's and dementia. The caller was advised to seek the Commissioner's Office.
1	Accident	12/24/2023	1:49 pm	Queens Chapel Road and Northwest Branch Trail	Officers assisted HCPD with a pedestrian falling off of their scooter on the roadway.
1	CDS Complaint	12/24/2023	7:49 pm	4300 block of 28 th Place	Officers responded to a CDS complaint. Upon arrival, Officers spoke to the juvenile's parent and sibling who advised they feared for their safety due to the behavior of the juvenile. The juvenile was patted down, checked for warrants with negative results, and sent on their way.
3	Disorderly	12/24/2023	9:11 pm	1 Municipal Place	Officers were flagged down for the report of a suspicious person on the Metro bus refusing to get off. Officers resolved the issue and the subject was removed from the bus.
1	Suspicious Person	12/24/2023	9:47 pm	3100 block of Chillum Road	Officers responded for a subject refusing to leave the store. The subject checked negative and was sent on their way.
3	Sounds of Gunshots	12/24/2023	11:26 pm	34 th Street and Rhode Island Avenue	Officers were dispatched for the report of gunshots. Officers checked the surrounding area with witnesses stating that it was fireworks.
1	Loud Party Complaint	12/25/2023	12:18 am	4500 block of 34 th Street	Officers responded for a noise complaint. Officers canvassed the area with negative results.
3	Suspicious Persons	12/25/2023	12:31 am	3500 block of Otis Street	Officers responded for the report of subjects lighting off fireworks. Officers checked the area with nothing found.
1	Impound	12/25/2023	12:54 am	3300 block of Chillum Road	Officers on patrol observed a vehicle illegally parked blocking a fire hydrant with expired tags. The vehicle was impounded without incident.
1	Noise Complaint	12/25/2023	1:02 am	4300 block of 28 th Place	Officers responded for a noise complaint. Officers made contact with the homeowner who apologized and turned off the music.
1	Suspicious Person	12/25/2023	1:48 am	3200 block of Chillum Road	Officers responded for the report of a person sleeping in the stairwell. The subject checked negative and was sent on their way.
	Assist	12/25/2023	10:15 am	3700 block of Jefferson Street	Officer assisted Hyattsville PD with translation.
3	Traffic Stop/ Impound	12/25/2023	11:36 am	34 th Street and Rhode Island Avenue	Officers observed a vehicle with temporary registration. A registration check of the vehicle resulted in invalid registration plates. The vehicle was confirmed to be unregistered. A traffic stop was conducted. The driver was unable to produce a valid driver's license. The vehicle was impounded for safekeeping without incident.
1	Theft Report	12/25/2023	12:19 pm	3100 block of Chillum Road	Officers responded for a stolen property report. Officers met with the victim who stated that someone had stolen their wallet from the ATM machine. CCTV footage was obtained. The CID was notified. Case numbers were given.

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1	Theft Report	12/25/2023	1:20 pm	3300 block of Chillum Road	Officers responded to a theft call for service. The complainant stated they left behind their bookbag while they were taking a Lyft. An investigation will be conducted. Case numbers were given.
2	Loud Music Complaint	12/25/2023	3:17 pm	4100 block of 31 st Street	Officers responded for a loud music complaint. The resident was advised to turn the music down.
1	CDS Complaint	12/25/2023	4:46 pm	3300 block of Chauncey Place	Officers responded for a CDS complaint. All subjects were gone on arrival.
3	Loud Music Complaint/ Disorderly	12/25/2023	4:57 pm	1 Municipal Place	Officers responded for a loud music complaint. upon arrival, the subject who was disorderly entered the bus and was sent on their way without incident.
1	Peeping Tom	12/25/2023	7:07 pm	4300 block of 29 th Street	Officers were dispatched for a peeping Tom. Communications advised that an unknown subject was looking through the caller's bedroom window touching themselves inappropriately. The suspect was gone on arrival. The caller refused any additional Police assistance.
1	Suspicious Auto	12/25/2023	8:15 pm	3200 block of Queenstown Drive	Officers conducted a suspicious auto stop. The subject was sleeping behind the wheel waiting for their friend. The subject was sent on their way.
1	Loud Music Complaint	12/26/2023	12:07 pm	3100 block of Queens Chapel Road	Officers responded to a loud party complaint. The violators were having a Christmas party and were advised to keep it down.
1	Family Dispute	12/26/2023	2:33 am	3300 block of Chauncey Place	The caller advised that their child was smoking marijuana and wanted them out of their house. The child was gone on arrival.
1	Check Welfare		10:37 am	3300 block of Chillum Road	Officers responded for a check welfare call. Officers spoke with the subject in question who stated they were dropped off by their friend and was waiting for them to get back. Officers waited with the subject until their friend returned.
3	Loud Music Complaint	12/26/2023	11:32 am	3800 block of 33 rd Street	Officers responded to a loud music complaint call for service. Upon arrival, no loud music was heard in the area.
2	Family Dispute	12/26/2023	12:23 pm	4100 block of 29 th Street	Officers responded to a family dispute call for service. Upon arrival, the complainant stated they wanted their family member escorted out of their residence. The subject complied and left the scene.
3	BLS Combined	12/26/2023	3:11 pm	3400 block of Rhode Island Avenue	While Officers were on patrol, a subject walked up to them and stated they needed to go to the hospital. Officers contacted Fireboard, and they arrived on scene. The subject then stated they no longer wanted Police nor medical services.
3	Suspicious Person	12/26/2023	8:57 pm	3500 block of Perry Street	Officers responded for a suspicious person with a weapon. Upon arrival, Officers observed a subject kicking the rear door. The subject was later identified and patted down for weapons with negative results. The subject advised they were locked out of their home and was kicking at the door to try and wake up someone inside to let them in. The subject was sent on their way. An anonymous citizen later spoke to the Officers and stated that no one had been home for days, and the subject had broken off the ring camera. Case numbers were given.

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1	Sounds of Gunshots	12/26/2023	10:03 pm	3300 block of Chauncey Place	Officers were dispatched for the sound of gunshots. Upon arrival, there was no evidence of gunshots. The caller did not want to speak with the Officers.
2	Disorderly	12/27/2023	5:08 am	3300 block of Bunker Hill Road	Officers responded for a rideshare driver advising of a passenger refusing to get out of their car. Upon arrival, the passenger appeared to be mentally unstable. The driver advised that they just wanted the passenger out of their car. Once the subject was removed from the vehicle, the driver left without incident.
1	Alarm	12/27/2023	7:09 am	2200 block of Varnum Street	Officers responded for an alarm. The alarm was set off by the cleaning crew. The area was checked secure.
	Assist Agency	12/27/2023	9:36 am	2800 block of Nicholson Street	HCPD requested assistance with the transportation of a disorderly arrestee.
3	Fight	12/27/2023	3:26 pm	3400 block of Rhode Island Avenue	A citizen flagged down Officers for a physical fight. Officers attempted to stop the individual (involved in the fight) to which they took off running. Officers detained the individual and were able to identify them. The individual refused medical attention and the citizen refused to press charges.
3	Suspicious Person	12/27/2023	3:46 pm	34 th Street and Rhode Island Avenue	Officers observed two suspicious subjects. Upon the Officers' approach, one took off running while the other was detained, check for warrants with negative results, and sent on their way.
1	Suspicious Person	12/27/2023	8:35 pm	4500 block of Eastern Avenue	Officers on patrol observed a suspicious person loitering at the gas station. The subject checked negative and was sent on their way.
1	Impound	12/27/2023	10:04 pm	3100 block of Chillum Road	Officers observed a vehicle displaying fraudulent temporary registration. Officers initiated a traffic stop. Further investigation revealed the driver did not have a valid driver's license. Communications further advised the vehicle was unregistered. The vehicle was impounded for safekeeping without incident. The driver was cited accordingly and advised.
3	Suspicious Persons	12/27/2023	10:44 pm	1 Municipal Place	Officers on patrol stopped two subjects loitering at the bus stop. The subjects checked negative and were sent on their way.
2	Landlord Dispute	12/27/2023	11:46 pm	4000 block of 29 th Street	Officers responded for the report of a landlord tenant dispute. Officers assisted and advised all parties on how to go about the proper eviction process.
1	Commercial Alarm	12/28/2023	4:43 am	2300 block Varnum Street	Officers responded for an alarm at the Dialysis Center. An employee did not have a passcode to turn the alarm off. The building was checked okay.
1	CDS Complaint	12/28/2023	7:31 am	2900 block of Queens Chapel Road	Officers responded for the report of the smell of marijuana in the building. Officers couldn't locate the source.
2	Check Welfare	12/28/2023	9:50 am	4200 block of 34 th Street	The caller advised that they gave money to a family member and did not get their money back. The caller was advised.
2	Break-in Progress (Unfounded)	12/28/2023	11:04 am	3400 block of Bunker Hill Road	Officers arrived at a possible break-in progress. Officers were able to identify the individual. It was discovered to be the homeowner who had locked themselves out.

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2	Unknown Trouble	12/28/2023	11:40 am	4100 block of 29 th Street	Callers advised that they heard screaming coming from outside of the house. Officers contacted the resident. Everything was checked okay.
1	Assist	12/28/2023	12:27 pm	4300 block of 30 th Street	Officers contacted PEPCO to advise them that a transformer exploded.
3	Disorderly	12/28/2023	3:15 pm	3400 block of Rhode Island Avenue	Officers responded for the report of a disorderly subject. The disorderly was sent on their way.
1	Subject Stop	12/28/2023	4:01 pm	3100 block of Chillum Road	Officers observed an individual matching the description of a wanted person. A check yielded negative results.
3	Disorderly	12/28/2023	6:17 pm	3400 block of Rhode Island Avenue	Officers observed a disorderly subject who requested medical assistance. Fireboard transported the subject to the hospital.
3	Fight	12/28/2023	7:51 pm	3400 block of Rhode Island Avenue	Officers were dispatched for the report of a fight at the bus stop. Officers stopped seven subjects loitering at the bus stop. The subjects checked negative and were sent on their way.
3	Field Interview	12/28/2023	9:32 pm	1 Municipal Place	Officers responded for the report of a large group of loiterers. Upon arrival, Officers observed one of the subjects with an open container of alcohol. While Officers were attempting to identify the subject, they began to yell and show aggression. The subject was photographed, given a loitering warning notice, trespassed, and sent on their way.
1	Suspicious Auto	12/28/2023	10:45 pm	3100 block of Upshur Street	Officers responded for the report of a suspicious vehicle in the area. Officers spoke with two subjects that were inside of the vehicle. Both subjects checked negative and were sent on their way.
1	CDS Complaint	12/28/2023	11:11 pm	3300 block of Buchanan Street	Officers responded for the report of a subject smoking CDS. Officers checked the area with nothing found.
1	Sound of Gunshots	12/29/2023	1:08 am	3300 block of Chillum Road	Officers heard gunshots possibly coming from behind Queenstown Drive. Officers from MRPD and HCPD checked the area with nothing found.
1	Assist	12/29/2023	1:25 am	Queens Chapel Road and Chillum Road	Officers assisted HCPD looking for a vehicle leaving the scene of an armed robbery. Officers checked the area with nothing found.
1	Impound	12/29/2023	1:53 am	2900 block of Queens Chapel Road	Officers observed a vehicle fail to use their vehicle's turn signal. Officers initiated a traffic stop. Investigation revealed that the driver did not have a valid driver's license. The vehicle was impounded for safekeeping without incident. The driver was cited accordingly.
3	911 Disconnect	12/29/2023	3:30 am	3800 block of 33 rd Street	Officers responded for a 911 disconnect. Officers located the caller who wanted their friend to leave. The subject was sent on their way.
2	911 Hang-Up	12/29/2023	7:58 am	4200 block of 34 th Street	Dispatch received a 911 hang-up. Dispatch called back and was advised it was an error. Officers were not dispatched.

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2	Residential Alarm	12/29/2023	9:34 am	3100 block of Upshur Street	Officers were dispatched for a residential alarm. Officers checked the home which was secured.
1	CDS Complaint	12/29/2023	11:08 am	3200 block of Queenstown Drive	Officers were dispatched for a CDS complaint. On arrival, all subjects had left the scene.
2	Warrant Service	12/29/2023	12:29 pm	4000 block of 36 th Street	Officers observed a subject who was known to have an open warrant through PG County Sheriff's Department. Officers gave verbal commands for the subject to stop, which they refused and began to flee on foot. The subject was eventually stopped after a foot pursuit and placed into handcuffs. Dispatch confirmed that the subject had an open warrant. The CID Unit arrived on scene and transported the subject for processing without incident.
	Assist Agency	12/29/2023	12:42 pm		An Officer assisted Hyattsville PD with a translation over the phone. Hyattsville PD was assisted.
1	Missing Person	12/29/2023	1:05 pm	4200 block of Kaywood Drive	Officers were dispatched for a missing person. The caller was advised to contact Marion City PD in Ohio for assistance.
1	Family Dispute	12/29/2023	1:59 pm	3300 block of Chillum Road	Officers were dispatched for a family dispute. On arrival, all parties were advised.
1	Vehicle Accident	12/29/2023	3:48 pm	3300 block of Chillum Road	Officers were dispatched for a 2-vehicle accident. On arrival, an Officer assisted with an information exchange.
3	Field-Ops	12/29/2023	4:40 pm	3400 block of Rhode Island Avenue	Officers observed a subject with an open container of alcohol. Officers made contact with the subject and multiple other subjects to disperse. The subject began to get agitated and was advised they could not have an open container. A warrant check was conducted with negative results. The subject was advised and sent on their way.
1	Transfer Call	12/29/2023	5:44 pm	2900 block of Arundel Road	Dispatched received a transfer call. Dispatch called back and advised the incident was out of jurisdiction. Officers were not dispatched.
1	Stolen Vehicle (Vehicle relocated)	12/29/2023	5:54 pm	30 th Street and Arundel Road	Officers were dispatched to a stolen vehicle report. Officers located the vehicle which was moved by WSSC to the gravel lot on Varnum Street and the caller was advised.
	Assist with Disorderly	12/29/2023	5:58 pm	6500 block of America Boulevard	Hyattsville City PD Officers requested for a female search. Upon arrival, the subject was combative and unruly. Once detained, the female was searched and turned over to Hyattsville PD for transport.
3	Unknown Trouble	12/29/2023	9:36 pm	3400 block of Rhode Island Avenue	The caller advised that their juvenile grandchild was in a car parked with an elderly subject that was abusing them. Upon arrival, there was no vehicle matching the description given and no child on scene. Communications further advised the caller may have mental issues.
1	CDS Complaint	12/29/2023	9:58 pm	3300 block of Buchanan Street	Security complained of a subject smoking CDS on the stoop of the building. The subject was gone prior to Officers' arrival.

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3	Subject Stop	12/29/2023	10:14 pm	1 Municipal Place	Officers cleared multiple subjects from the bus stop who were not waiting for the bus.
	Assist Agency	12/29/2023	11:36 pm	2400 block of Chauncey Place	Officers assisted Hyattsville PD with a speeding vehicle stop.
3	Subject Stop	12/30/2023	12:22 am	1 Municipal Place	Officers cleared multiple subjects from the bus stop who were not waiting for the bus.
1	Traffic Stop	12/30/2023	2:54 am	3300 block of Chauncey Road	Officers observed a vehicle driving with no lights on. A traffic stop was initiated. Upon approaching the vehicle, the subject was instructed to turn off the ignition and hand their keys to the Officer due to the odor of alcohol coming from their vehicle. The subject gave verbal consent for the Officers to search their vehicle. Open cans of alcohol were discovered. The subject stated they had been drinking. An SFST was conducted of which the subject showed no signs of being under the influence nor intoxicated. The subject was cited for the alcoholic beverages with pictures taken for reference.
2	Missing Person	12/30/2023	1:48 pm	4100 block of 30 th Street	Citizen came to the MRP Station and advised that their son had not been seen for a few days and was last seen in Washington, DC. The citizen was advised to contact MPDC to obtain a missing person's report.
3	Trespassing Complaint	12/30/2023	2:00 pm	3400 block of Rhode Island Avenue	Officers observed a subject trespassing. Officers advised the subject not to return. Later that day, the subject returned to the scene. Officers attempted to stop the subject, but they walked away to avoid the Officers. The subject was eventually stopped and issued a criminal citation for trespassing on private property.
3	Tampering	12/30/2023	4:37 pm	3400 block of Rhode Island Avenue	Caller advised that they saw an unknown subject tampering with vehicles to the rear of the complex. Upon arrival, no evidence of tampering and no subject was present.
	Assist with Disorderly	12/30/2023	5:58 pm	6500 block of American Boulevard	Hyattsville City PD Officers requested for a female search. Upon arrival, the subject was combative and unruly. Once detained, the female was searched and turned over to Hyattsville PD for transport.
	Assist Agency	12/30/2023	8:21 pm	4500 block of 34 th Street	Officers were dispatched for an unruly rideshare passenger. The passenger was removed from the vehicle and waited for a different car. Brentwood PD handled the situation.
2	Family Dispute	12/30/2023	8:22 pm	4100 block of 29 th Street	Officers responded for a physical altercation between family members. Both were under the influence of alcohol and were advised the Commissioner's Office if they could not get along.
2	Family Dispute	12/30/2023	11:11 pm	4100 block of 29 th Street	Officers were dispatched for a family dispute. Officers spoke with the caller who stated they were afraid of their family member and that the family member had damaged their property trying to enter the caller's home. The caller also showed they had an active Protective Order against the family member. Officers explained the Protective Order to both parties, which they both acknowledged. The Social Services Coordinator was given a referral.
1	Paper Service	12/30/2023	11:26 pm	3200 block of Varnum Street	Officers responded for a domestic. Upon arrival, Officers spoke with the one half who obtained a Protective Order against the other half. Officers served and explained the Protective Order without incident.

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1	Revenge Porn	12/30/2023	11:30 pm	3100 block of Chillum Road	Officers responded for the report of revenge porn. The victim stated their ex-significant other posted videos of them performing sexual acts onto social media. The CID was notified of the incident. Case numbers were given.

Red font indicates firearms were recovered

TRAFFIC CITATIONS	TRAFFIC WARNINGS	PARKING CITATIONS	REPAIR ORDERS	AUTOMOBILE IMPOUNDS	FOOT PATROL HOURS
21	43	24	3	4	31



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PATROL ZONES

Zone One

- ✓ Northern end of the City of Mount Rainier
- ✓ Encompasses the three largest apartment complexes in the City of Mount Rainier
Kaywood, Queenstown, and Queens Manor
- ✓ 4 small business areas (2200 and 2300 blocks of Varnum Street, 3100 block Queens
Chapel Road, 3200 block Queens Chapel Road, 3100 block of Chillum Road)
- ✓ 1 School (Thomas Stone Elementary School)

Zone Two

- ✓ Mid-City
- ✓ 4 Churches
- ✓ 1 School (Mount Rainier Elementary School)
- ✓ Business District (4000 block of 34TH Street)
- ✓ 1 corner store (29TH Street & Bunker Hill Road)
- ✓ Primarily single-family homes

Zone Three

- ✓ Southern end of the City of Mount Rainier
- ✓ City Hall, Public Works, and the Police Department
- ✓ Large business District (3200, 3300, 3400 block Rhode Island Avenue, and 3800
block of 34TH Street)
- ✓ 4 Churches
- ✓ Arts District
- ✓ Major through way between the District of Columbia and Maryland
- ✓ Metro Transit Stop