

FREDERICK COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Health Department looking to contact owner of a dog

2026-10-05

Source: Frederick County Health Department

What you need to know:
The Frederick County Health Department is asking for the public’s help to find a dog and its owner.

What happened?

A man was bitten by a dog on Thursday, October 1st, 2026, at around 8:00 p.m.
The victim was involved in an altercation with a possibly unhoused individual on the sidewalk over the bridge near the Jubilee Foods in Emmitsburg when they were bitten by that individual’s dog.

The biting dog is described as a male Pitbull mix type dog with brown and white coloring wearing a blue harness.
The owner is described as a man of average height and build, with dark hair and possibly in his 30’s.

What you should do:

If you have information about this animal, call Frederick County Animal Control at 301-600-1544.

What happens next?

Once the owner is contacted, the animal will need to be verified to be in good health by Animal Control 10 days after the incident date.
Then, the animal may resume normal activity, and the person who was bitten will not need to get expensive rabies treatment.
If the owner is not contacted, the victim will be advised to get treatment.

General Actions to Take:

If a person or pet is bitten or scratched by an animal:
Get the owner’s name, address, and phone number, then call Animal Control at 301-600-1544.
If the animal is wildlife, consult your pet’s veterinarian (if applicable) and call Environmental Health Services at 301-600-1717.

Public Health ALERT



Bite from unknown animal. See post for location and details.



Call 301-600-1544 if you have information on animal or owner.



Image courtesy of Frederick County Health Department.

If you have been exposed to an animal confirmed or suspected of having rabies, call Community Health Services at 301-600-3342.
For general rabies inquiries, call Environmental Health Services at 301-600-1717.
Visit Health.FrederickCountyMD.gov/Rabies for more information.

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FREDERICK COUNTY GOVERNMENT NEWSFLASH

Frederick County Observes Fire Prevention Week from October 4 – 10

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Source: Frederick County Government

FREDERICK, Md. – Fire Prevention Week is October 4 through 10 and this year’s national theme focuses on rechargeable battery safety.

The Frederick County Division of Fire and Rescue Services (DFRS) encourages everyone to learn how to safely purchase, charge, use, and recycle lithium-ion batteries.

“Most of us use devices powered by rechargeable batteries every day, and it’s easy to take them for granted,” said Fire Chief Tom Coe.

“Fire Prevention Week is a great reminder to slow down and make sure we’re using these devices safely. Simple steps at home can help reduce the risk of a battery fire and keep our families, homes and community safer.”

Rechargeable batteries power many of the devices people use every day, including smartphones, laptops, power tools, e-bikes, and toys. While these batteries are convenient, they must be used and disposed of properly. A lithium-ion battery that is damaged, defective, overheated or improperly charged can become unstable, generate excessive heat, and, in some cases, start a fire.

Since 2024, DFRS has responded to over 30 calls involving lithium-ion batteries. The risk does not end when a battery is no longer needed. Batteries placed in household trash or recycling can be crushed or damaged during collection and processing, potentially causing fires in garbage trucks, transfer facilities, and other parts of the waste stream.

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Fire Prevention Week

You can help reduce these risks by recognizing signs of a damaged battery, following the manufacturer’s charging instructions, and using appropriate battery recycling or collection programs.

Safe battery use starts with how and where devices are charged. Follow these tips to help reduce the risk of overheating and fire:

- Use the correct charger. Use the cord and charger that came with your device or one approved by the manufacturer.
- The wrong charger can damage the battery and increase the risk of fire.
- Charge on a hard, flat surface. Charge devices on a table, desk or other hard surface.
- Do not charge them on a bed, couch or under a pillow. Devices and chargers produce heat during normal charging, and soft surfaces can trap heat and block airflow.
- Watch for warning signs.
- Stop using a device if it becomes unusually hot, swells, smokes or develops an unusual smell. These can be signs that the battery is damaged or failing.
- Unplug when fully charged.
- Do not leave devices plugged in longer than necessary. Extended charging can add heat and stress to a battery.
- Charge larger batteries safely.
- Charge e-bikes, scooters and other devices with larger batteries outside and away from exits.
- These batteries store more energy, and a failure can result in a rapidly growing fire that can spread quickly.
- Follow airline safety rules.
- When traveling by plane, keep devices where you can see them while charging, and do not charge devices in overhead compartments. E- cigarettes and vapes should not be charged on a plane.

Fire Prevention Week Events and Resources

DFRS is offering events and resources throughout October to help the community prevent fires and prepare for emergencies.

- Free, appointment-based curbside battery pickup: DFRS is partnering with the Division of Solid Waste and Recycling to offer free, appointment-based curbside pickup of lithium-ion batteries and small electronics, including cellphones, laptops and tablets.



Image courtesy of Frederick County Government.

To sign up, visit www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/BeALionTamer.

- NFPA & Domino’s Fire Safety Program: On Thursday, October 8, from 4:30-7:30 p.m., DFRS will participate in the NFPA & Domino’s Fire Safety Program in partnership with the Urbana Domino’s location, Store No. 4684, at 3254B Bennett

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Fire Prevention Week

Creek Ave., Frederick, Md. 21704. Customers who call to order a pizza during this time may be randomly selected to have their pizza delivered by local firefighters, who will also test the home’s smoke alarm. If the alarm is working, the pizza will be free. If a new alarm is needed, firefighters will provide one. To order, call 240-341- 4692.

- Frederick County Fire and Rescue Open House: You are invited to attend the Fire and Rescue Open House on Saturday, October 10, from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at FSK Mall, 5500 Buckeystown Pike, Frederick, Md. 21703. The event will feature live demonstrations, fire and life safety education, family-friendly activities, food trucks, equipment displays and more.

To learn more about Fire Prevention Week and how you can get involved, visit www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/FPW .

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Breakfast Events

Recurring event series

Source: techFrederick



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To register, go to techfrederick.org/events.

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The Day’s Run Log

Complete call activity for Monday, October 5. Excludes medical calls.

ALARMS6:16 am

Commercial Fire Alarm

16800 block S. SETON AVE — NATIONAL FIRE ACADEMY - BLDG C (EMMITSBURG)

UNITS: E61, TW6

6:22 am E61 on the scene, 3-story building. Nothing evident. Active alarm.

6:27 am E61 reports a malfunctioning smoke detector in a dormitory room. No hazards present. System has been reset. Units in service.

TRAFFIC & ROADS6:41 am

Vehicle Accident - Bls

4300 block GREEN VALLEY RD (MONROVIA)

UNITS: A259, PE251

6:43 am PE251 on the scene, single vehicle on the side of the road. Checking on occupant.

6:45 am PE251 reports no crash, only a disabled vehicle. No fire department services needed.

ALARMS8:34 am

Commercial Fire Alarm

100 block S. MARKET ST — FEDERATED CHARITIES (FREDERICK)

UNITS: E31, TT4

8:35 am TT4 on the scene, 3-story building. Normal conditions. Investigation.

8:38 am TT4 reports that the alarm company is on-site conducting tests. No fire department services needed.

ALARMS9:39 am

Commercial Fire Alarm

200 block E. SECOND ST— VISITATION HOTEL (FREDERICK)

UNITS: PE23, TT4

9:40 am TT4 on the scene, 4-story hotel. Normal exterior conditions. Investigating.

9:47 am TT4 reports smoke detector activated due to construction. System has been reset. Units in service.

PUBLIC SAFETY10:48 am

Unit Transfer To Other Station

100 block S. MARKET ST — STATION 3 (UNITED)

UNITS: A319

TRAFFIC & ROADS12:15 pm

Pedestrian Struck - Als

100 block W. PATRICK ST — FREDERICK COUNTY COURTHOUSE

UNITS: A38, ALS4, R3, EMS902

12:17 pm R3 on the scene, one pedestrian upright and walking.

12:18 pm R3 holding A38, R3. Other responding units in service.

PUBLIC SAFETY12:16 pm

Gas Odor Inside

400 block W. SEVENTH ST — FREDERICK HEALTH DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

UNITS: PE23, E31, TT4

12:17 pm PE23 on the scene, single-story commercial. Nothing evident , investigating.

12:23 pm PE23 reports occupants reported gas leak to gas company; repairs made. Still experiencing slight odor. PE23 reports negative meter readings. Odor likely residual from earlier leak that was repaired.

ALARMS1:24 pm

Residential Fire Alarm (Single Family Resd/ Mobile Home)

300 block BRAEBURN CT (WALKERSVILLE)

UNITS: E111

1:28 pm Frederick ECC advises E111 that a technician is on-site, reporting a false alarm. E111 in service.

TRAFFIC & ROADS1:37 pm

Vehicle Accident - Bls (Automatic Crash Notification)

RAMP US-15SB TO RT40WB RAMP, PH2

UNITS: A19, PE23

1:39 pm Frederick ECC advises responding units that the updated location is the Motel 6 parking lot.

1:42 pm PE23 on scene, 2 vehicles located in the Motel 6 parking lot on Baughmans Ln. Checking on occupants.

1:42 pm PE23 reports collision is property damage only, no patients. Units in service.

ALARMS3:24 pm

Commercial Fire Alarm

700 block MOTTER AVE — CATOCTIN MANOR APTS

UNITS: PE23, TT4

3:27 pm PE23 on the scene of a 4-story apartment building. Nothing evident. Investigating.

3:30 pm PE23 located an activated sprinkler head.

3:37 pm PE23 reports building maintenance hit a sprinkler head, activated the sprinkler. System has been shut down until repairs can be made.

TRAFFIC & ROADS4:25 pm

Vehicle Accident - Bls

E. PATRICK ST / STORAGE WAY (FREDERICK)

UNITS: A339, E331

4:30 pm E331 on the scene, multiple vehicles with minor damage. Checking on occupants.

4:38 pm A339 transporting one patient with non-life-threatening injuries to the hospital.

PUBLIC SAFETY6:05 pm

Service Call

4800 block ROUND HILL RD (BRADDOCK HEIGHTS)

UNITS: E121, A129

ALARMS7:38 pm

Residential Fire Alarm (Single Family Resd/ Mobile Home)

2000 block POMONA WAY

UNITS: E11

7:41 pm Frederick ECC advises E11 that the caller states they were changing batteries in the smoke detector; no emergency.

TRAFFIC & ROADS9:08 pm

Vehicle Accident - Bls

RT340WB / US-15 (JEFFERSON)

UNITS: A18, A198, R20, E11, E201

9:15 pm R20 on the scene, 2 vehicle rear-end collision. Checking on occupants.

9:16 pm R20 reports 2 patients for evaluation. Holding A198, A18, R20, E201.

9:52 pm A18 transporting 2 patients with non-life-threatening injuries to FHH. Remaining units clearing the scene.

TRAFFIC & ROADS9:54 pm

Vehicle Accident - Bls (Automatic Crash Notification)

LIBERTY RD / MONOCACY BLVD

UNITS: A247, E111

10:00 pm A247 checked from Rte. 194 to Rte. 26 / Monocacy Blvd, nothing found. Units in service.

FIRE & RESCUE10:34 pm

Vehicle Fire

100 block WILLOWDALE DR — WILLOWDALE CROSSING APTS

UNITS: E11

10:41 pm E11 reports an overheated vehicle. No smoke nor fire. E11 in service.



PUBLIC SERVICE NOTICE

Missing: Torey Atkins (MD) - Torey Atkins, Age Now: 14, Missing: 10/01/2026. Missing From Baltimore, MD. ANYONE HAVING INFORMATION SHOULD CONTACT: Baltimore City Police Department (Maryland) 1-410-396-2359 . #PleaseShare <http://www.missingkids.org/poster/NCMC/2103553/1> [View original notice](#)

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7-Day Weather

National Weather Service

MON
Oct 5



70° / 42°

Partly Cloudy

ISSUE DAY

TUE
Oct 6



65° / 41°

Sunny

0% precip

WED
Oct 7



73° / 53°

Sunny

0% precip

THU
Oct 8



79° / 52°

Sunny

1% precip

FRI
Oct 9



73° / 52°

Sunny

2% precip

SAT
Oct 10



71° / 51°

Mostly Sunny

3% precip

SUN
Oct 11



70° / 55°

Partly Sunny then Slight Chance Rain Showers

37% precip

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