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FREDERICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

FCSO Investigates Fatal Collision on Mountville Road

2026-10-20

Source: Frederick County Sheriff's Office

FREDERICK, Md. (October 20, 2026) – On October 19, 2026, at approximately 1:51 p.m., deputies from the Frederick County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) responded to the 5200 block of Mountville Road in Adamstown for a reported motor vehicle collision with injuries.

Upon arrival, deputies located a Honda Odyssey that had struck an equipment trailer parked in the travel lane. The vehicle was operated by 72-year-old Victor Arevalo of Adamstown. EMS personnel initiated life-saving measures and transported Arevalo to a hospital, where he later succumbed to his injuries.

The FCSO Traffic Unit responded to the scene and is conducting an ongoing investigation. At this time, preliminary findings indicate that drugs or alcohol do not appear to be contributing factors in the collision.

FCSO can confirm that this incident was not related to data center construction activity or any associated construction traffic in the area.

Anyone with additional information is asked to contact DFC Mitchell at 301-600-1046 or via email at CMitchell1@FrederickCountyMD.gov.



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FREDERICK COUNTY GOVERNMENT NEWSFLASH

Fitzwater Appoints Walton as Director of Animal Control

2026-10-15

Source: Frederick County Government

FREDERICK, Md. – Frederick County Executive Jessica Fitzwater today announced the appointment of Willie Walton as Director of the Frederick County Division of Animal Control. The County Council confirmed the appointment today.

“Willie brings a unique blend of executive leadership, animal welfare expertise, regulatory compliance experience, and hands on field and medical operations knowledge,” said County Executive Jessica Fitzwater. “I am confident that under his direction, our team will continue to maintain the safety and well-being of both the community and the animals it serves.”

Mr. Walton has over two decades of experience in animal services, shelter operations, veterinary care, and public sector administration. He currently serves as the Division of Animal Control’s Deputy Director where he oversees daily operations, supervises employees, develops and implements policies, and serves as Acting Director when needed. Prior to his role with the County, Mr. Walton has worked for Loudoun County Animal Services, veterinary organizations, and the U.S. Department of State.

Mr. Walton holds an Associate of Science degree in Veterinary Technology and a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science, as well as multiple professional certifications.



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Techathon

November 14, 2026

Source: techFrederick

22 nonprofits are ready. We need you. We have more projects than our current volunteer teams can cover well. Bring your skills, work with a local nonprofit, and help create a useful solution in one day. Sign up as a participant ↗ See where your skills fit ↓ Your skills can move projects forward These are five priority areas from the nonprofit requests. Every kind of tech experience can help, and you will work alongside a team.

Cybersecurity & privacy Help teams make safe choices about accounts, access, sensitive data, and security planning. CRM & workflow tools Configure practical systems for contacts, grants, inventory, forms, and repeatable tasks.

Maps & GIS Turn location data into useful, accessible maps that organizations can keep current. Accessibility & UX Make websites, forms, and services easier for more people to understand and use. Websites & integrations Bring WordPress, Duda, APIs, calendars, and existing systems together where it helps.

So much more Data, design, AI, cloud, testing, documentation, and other tech skills are welcome. Tell us what you bring. From sign-up to a real result Selected team leaders guide the work. Each team builds with a nonprofit representative present to answer questions and shape the solution.



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The Day’s Run Log

Complete call activity for Tuesday, October 20. Excludes medical calls.

TRAFFIC & ROADS12:00 am

Vehicle Accident - Bls (Automatic Crash Notification)
LIBERTY RD / SEBASTIAN BLVD (WATERSIDE)
UNITS: A247, R24

12:03 am Frederick ECC advises responding units the owner of the cell phone called back, reports their phone fell off of their vehicle triggering the ACN. No fire department services needed.

ALARMS3:45 am

Commercial Fire Alarm
8700 block GAS HOUSE PIKE — ALDI FOODS DISTRIBUTION CENTER
UNITS: PE23, TW11

PUBLIC SAFETY8:04 am

Gas Odor Inside
9000 block CLENDENIN WAY (URBANA)
UNITS: E231, PE251, TT23

8:12 am PE251 on scene, investigating.

8:15 am PE251 completed 360-assessment, nothing evident on all sides. Made contact with homeowner who turned on heat, noticed odor. Furnace recently serviced. PE251 detected slight odor at gas meter.

8:39 am TT23 reports gas supply secured to the furnace, residence ventilated. Units in service.

PUBLIC SAFETY8:53 am

Gas Odor Outside
100 block W. COLLEGE TER (FREDERICK)
UNITS: PE23

ALARMS10:23 am

Commercial Fire Alarm
300 block E. FIFTH ST — FOODPRO (FREDERICK)

10:26 am E33 on the scene, 2-story commercial structure with attached warehouse. Nothing evident.

10:28 am E33 investigated. No hazards present.

PUBLIC SAFETY10:26 am

Gas Odor Inside
6100 block QUINN ORCHARD RD
UNITS: E11, E331, R3, K33

10:30 am R3 on the scene, normal exterior conditions. Investigating.

10:35 am Frederick ECC advises responding units that the updated address is 6100 Block of Quinn Rd. Units heading to updated location.

10:43 am E331 on the scene the updated location, investigating.

10:46 am E331 completed 360-assessment, normal conditions on all sides. Investigating unknown odor.

10:50 am E331 reports a malfunctioning oil burning furnace. Homeowners have been naturally ventilating all morning. Holding E331, all other units in service.

FIRE & RESCUE10:47 am

House Fire
7100 block RIDGE RD (BRADDOCK HEIGHTS)
UNITS: E121, E72, PE311, E201, E11, E82, RE74, TT4, R20, A129, ALS20, BC901, BC902, SAF901

10:50 am E121 on scene, normal exterior conditions. Investigating.

10:51 am E121 reports light smoke inside the residence. RE74 completed 360-assessment; Reports all occupants are out.

10:52 am E121 establishing command. E121, RE74 investigating possible burned food on the stove.

10:57 am E121, RE74 reports no active fire, basement and first floor have odor and light haze of smoke.

10:58 am BC901 on scene, assuming command.

10:59 am E121, RE74 confirm burned food on the stove. BC901 continuing to hold E121, RE74, E82. Other units in service.

ALARMS11:01 am

Commercial Fire Alarm
7400 block WILLOW RD — HOMEWOOD AT CRUMLAND
UNITS: E33, E221, T50

11:14 am E33 on the scene, 3-story nursing home. Nothing evident. Investigating.

ALARMS11:06 am

Commercial Fire Alarm
1600 block MISTY MEADOW CIR (GAMBRILL VIEW)
UNITS: PE311, TT4

11:14 am PE311 reports alarm company is on-site conducting maintenance/testing. No fire department services needed.

TRAFFIC & ROADS11:06 am

Check Up After Accident - Police On Scene
JEFFERSON PIKE / RT340EB
UNITS: A198, PE52

11:14 am PE52 on the scene, 2 vehicles on the shoulder with all occupants out.

11:17 am PE52 reports collision is a property damage collision. No fire department services needed.

PUBLIC SAFETY1:00 pm

Outside Investigation Of Smoke
3500 block ROY SHAFER RD (MIDDLETOWN)
UNITS: BR75

1:03 pm Frederick ECC advises BR75 that callers came from single caller who states there is smoke visible to the rear of their property. Frederick ECC has 3 controlled burn permits on file in the area.

1:06 pm BR75 in the area, investigating.

1:09 pm BR75 on the scene, located a resident burning brush in a field in the 3500 Block of Bussard Rd. Investigating.

1:14 pm BR75 reports resident notified Frederick ECC earlier; ECC confirms valid burn permit and notification. BR75 in service.

ALARMS1:05 pm

Commercial Fire Alarm
200 block BEASLEY DR (FT. DETRICK)
UNITS: E11, T50, BC950

1:08 pm BC950 on scene, reports a steam leak. Building maintenance is on-site. BC950 placing units in service.

TRAFFIC & ROADS1:44 pm

Vehicle Accident - Bls (Automatic Crash Notification)
APPROX LOC: US-15 / ANGLEBERGER RD (LEWISTOWN)
UNITS: A307, A247, A229, E291, PE102, R10, E221

1:48 pm Frederick ECC advises responding units that owner of the phone called back stating there is no emergency. All units in service.

TRAFFIC & ROADS1:56 pm

Vehicle Accident - Bls
US-15NB / ROSEMONT AVE (FREDERICK)
UNITS: A18, A29, R3, E11, PE23

1:59 pm A18 on the scene, 2 vehicles on the shoulder. Checking on occupants.

2:00 pm PE23 reports additional secondary crash closer to W. Patrick St.

2:01 pm E11 holding A18, E11 on their incident at US-15NB / Rosemont. PE23, A29 checking on incident on US-15NB / W. Patrick St.

2:08 pm A18 obtained a patient refusal from the incident at US-15NB / Rosemont; units clearing from that location. A18, PE23 remain on scene at US15-NB / Patrick St.

2:19 pm A29 transporting 2 patients to FHH. PE23 clearing the scene.

ALARMS2:42 pm

Commercial Fire Alarm
6000 block JEFFERSON BLVD (BRADDOCK HEIGHTS)
UNITS: E121, TT4

2:46 pm E121 on the scene, nothing evident. Investigating.

2:48 pm E121 placing TT4 in service.

FIRE & RESCUE2:43 pm

Farm /Const/Excavation Machinery On Fire
9200 block DUBLIN RD (WALKERSVILLE)
UNITS: E111, EK114, BR226, C11, C3-B, BC902

2:47 pm C3-B on the scene, confirming farm machinery on fire in the field.

2:49 pm C3-B holding E111, other units in service.

2:58 pm C3-B reports fire extinguished.

TRAFFIC & ROADS2:48 pm

Vehicle Accident - Bls
US-15 / MOUNTVILLE RD
UNITS: A149, E281

2:52 pm E281 reports nothing found at the dispatched intersection. Continuing to investigate.

2:54 pm E281 on scene, 2 vehicles involved on US-15 prior to Mountville Rd. Occupants are out, checking on injuries.

2:57 pm A149 evaluating one patient.

FIRE & RESCUE2:54 pm

Brush Fire
2700 block PRICES DISTILLERY RD (GREEN VALLEY)
UNITS: PE251

2:58 pm Frederick ECC advises caller states wires are down. Frederick ECC notifying power company.

3:03 pm PE251 on the scene, confirming wires down with grass on fire. Currently no threat to nearby structures. Frederick ECC advises that Potomac Edison has a 1-2 hour ETA,

3:20 pm PE251 reports passerby advised of small fire in the 2600 Block of Prices Distillery Rd. PE251 splatting crew to investigate.

3:25 pm PE251 confirms another power line down in the 2600 Block. Utility company notified.

PUBLIC SAFETY3:19 pm

Outside Investigation Of Smoke
HAMBURG RD / FISHING CREEK RD (FREDERICK WATERSHED)
UNITS: BR216, E212

3:22 pm Frederick ECC advises responding units that call came from a single caller who sees a large amount of smoke in the area.

3:37 pm E212, BR212 checked the area, nothing found. Units in service.

TRAFFIC & ROADS3:24 pm

Vehicle Accident - Bls
I-70WB / 38MM
UNITS: E82, A89

TRAFFIC & ROADS4:27 pm

Vehicle Accident - Bls
I-270NB / RT80 (URBANA)
UNITS: A259, A239, R3, E231, E33, TT23

4:27 pm A259 came upon the scene of a 2 vehicle collision, requested additional resources.

4:30 pm E231 on scene, on Rte. 80 at the entrance ramp to I-270NB. Holding A259, E231. Other units in service.

TRAFFIC & ROADS7:09 pm

Vehicle Accident - Entrapment
100 block GILARDI RD (BOONSBORO)
UNITS: R8

PUBLIC SAFETY7:09 pm

Electrical Hazard Inside
2400 block MONOCACY BLVD — STARBUCKS (MONOCACY BLVD)
UNITS: E111, E291, TW11

FIRE & RESCUE7:22 pm

Building Fire
200 block MAIN ST (MYERSVILLE)
UNITS: E72, E121, E212, E11, E33, PE311, RE74, WCEK6, TT4, T50, A19, ALS8, C1-C, BC903, BC901, SAF901

7:24 pm ALS8 on the scene, confirming fire from the roof of the 2-car garage. Occupants are out. No exposures threatened.

7:28 pm C1-C on the scene, garage fully-involved. Establishing command.

7:29 pm C1-C requesting Rapid Intervention Dispatch (RID), and power company.

7:33 pm Crews in process of extinguishing fire, protecting nearby structures.

7:48 pm Crews beginning to rotate through rehab (where the EMS crews check vitals).

7:52 pm C1-C reports fire under control.

7:55 pm C1-C continuing to hold E71, E121, E11, RE74, E82, ALS8. Other units in service.

PUBLIC SAFETY7:43 pm

Unit Transfer To Other Station
400 block FRANKLIN ST — STATION 7 (MIDDLETOWN)
UNITS: A37

PUBLIC SAFETY7:44 pm

Unit Transfer To Other Station
100 block S. MARKET ST — STATION 3 (UNITED)
UNITS: R15

ALARMS8:13 pm

Commercial Fire Alarm
5600 block ADAMSTOWN RD — CARROLL MANOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
UNITS: E141, TT23

8:16 pm E141 on the scene, normal conditions. No alarms active. Investigating.

8:26 pm E141 made access to building, nothing evident. E141 continuing to investigate activated pull station according to the alarm panel.

FIRE & RESCUE10:08 pm

Barn Fire
8900 block HAWBOTTOM RD (MYERSVILLE)
UNITS: E82, E121, E72, E11, E212, E33, E501, R3, TT4, R2, K7, K1, K21, A89, ALS8, C8, C20, C1-D, BC903, BC902, SAF901

10:08 pm Frederick ECC advises responding units caller reports working barn fire, with propane tanks involved.

10:11 pm A89 on the scene, large building to the rear of the residence fully-involved.

10:12 pm A89 completed 360-assessment, outbuilding fully-involved approx. 50x50, partially collapsed. No structures nearby.

10:14 pm C8 on the scene, establishing command.

10:17 pm C8 requesting tanker task force (TTF).

10:18 pm C1-D on scene, establishing water supply.

10:23 pm C8 reports bulk of fire is knocked. Crews continue to handle hot spots.

10:29 pm E33 alerting C8 to start FCSO, appears to be a domestic situation at the neighboring residence.

10:34 pm C8 releasing TTF.

10:36 pm C8 continuing to hold E82, E72, E121, A89, K7, K1, K21. Other units in service.

TRAFFIC & ROADS10:09 pm

Vehicle Accident - Bls
MONOCACY BLVD / HUGHES FORD RD (FREDERICK)
UNITS: A38, E331

10:14 pm A38 on the scene, 2 vehicles involved. Evaluating one patient.

PUBLIC SAFETY10:23 pm

Unit Transfer To Other Station
400 block FRANKLIN ST — STATION 7 (MIDDLETOWN)
UNITS: LCPE612

PUBLIC SAFETY10:27 pm

Unit Transfer To Other Station
500 block N. MARKET ST — STATION 2 (JUNIOR)
UNITS: EK64

PUBLIC SAFETY10:28 pm

Unit Transfer To Other Station
100 block S. MARKET ST — STATION 3 (UNITED)
UNITS: HCRE4

PUBLIC SAFETY10:33 pm

Unit Transfer To Other Station
300 block BAUGHMANS LN — STATION 1 (UNITED)
UNITS: CCE12, CCK1

FREDERICK, MARYLAND

7-Day Weather

National Weather Service

TUE
Oct 20

71° / 41°

Partly Cloudy

ISSUE DAY

WED
Oct 21

65° / 42°

Sunny

0% precip

THU
Oct 22

67° / 45°

Sunny

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Oct 23

60° / 38°

Sunny

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SAT
Oct 24

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