

To: Arlington County Police Chief **From:** Crystal City Civic Association **Subject:** Recent Crime near the Bowlero

Date: February 15 2024

According to a resident of Crystal City:

Early this morning, Saturday, Feb. 10th at 1:15am, an argument broke out between patrons leaving Bowlero that quickly escalated to physical violence, with one person being severely beaten by a mob of individuals. The confrontation climaxed when multiple individuals involved in the fight, and subsequently a Bowlero security officer, pulled firearms, only after which did the police arrive and the crowd disperse. Small pools of blood dotted the exterior for the rest of the night outside Quimby on 23rd as evidence of this horrific incident.

Clearly this type of behavior is horrific and unacceptable. We strongly condemn such events. We also would request the Bowlero and the police work on additional coordination. Many Crystal City residents in that area have had concerns about the Bowlero for a number of years, and we are concerned that negative social behavior is increasingly common in the area.

We are also requesting that police address this situation with pro-active patrols--in the early morning hours and especially on weekends—and by taking any additional necessary actions to prevent this type of behavior.

CC: Aurora Highlands Civic Association Arlington Ridge Civic Association County Board