

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA POLICE DEPARTMENT

SECURITY & FIRE SAFETY REPORT

TAMPA CAMPUS



The University of South Florida Police Department strives to meet the needs of the University community

POLICE DIRECTORY

University Police, Tampa Campus Corner of Fletcher and Maple Drive Emergencies
USF Police, St. Petersburg Corner of 6 th Avenue South & 3 rd Street Non-emergency (727) 873-4140
USF Sarasota/Manatee Campus Police 501 College Drive Non-emergency (941) 487-4210
USF Center for Victim Advocacy and Violence Prevention Tampa Campus
Counseling Center Tampa Campus
Sarasota Counseling & Wellness Center(941) 487-4254
Office of Student Rights & Responsibilities Tampa Campus
Employee Assistance Program Tampa Campus 1-800-327-8705 St. Petersburg Campus (727) 873-4422 Sarasota Campus (941) 487-4254
Student Health Services Tampa Campus 974-2331 St. Petersburg (727) 873-4422 Sarasota Campus (941) 487-4254
SAFE Team
Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office
Tampa Police Department 931-6500 Temple Terrace
Police Department 506-6500

Campus Security Act

In 1990, President Bush signed into law the "Student Right to Know and Campus Security Act." This act requires all postsecondary institutions to prepare, publish and distribute certain information regarding campus crimes and policies relating to security.

The University of South Florida is a comprehensive research university with campuses in three locations including the following: Tampa, St. Petersburg, and Sarasota. Specific information for each campus is available.

The University Police Department
On the Tampa Campus the University Police Department is located at the corner of Fletcher Avenue and Maple Drive. The University of South Florida Police provide a full range of public safety services

Student Health Services

Student Health Services functions as a walk-in clinic for students and maintains a day infirmary only. Services include on-site nurses and physicians, a variety of lab tests and specialty clinics (including GYN).

The Student Health Services Building is located east of the University Center and north of the Student Services annex. The phone number is **974-2331** and the hours are 8:30 am. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Citizen Complaints

It is important that our community members receive fair and impartial treatment from the employees of the University Police Department. At any time a community member has a concern about the actions of an employee of the University Police, he or she can speak to a supervisor to discuss that concern. If a community member wishes to file a complaint against an employee of the University Police, he or she can obtain a complaint form at the police department or call **974-2628**.

Security of Campus Facilities/ Residence Halls

The University of South Florida is a public institution and, with the exception of residence halls, is open to the public during the day and evening hours when classes are in session. After these hours, University buildings are generally locked and only faculty, staff and some students with proper identification are admitted. University Police provide regular patrol of University buildings as well as parking lots.

Resident students are issued a key at check-in so they may have access to their living unit. Students are encouraged to safeguard keys in order to enhance their personal safety and the safety of others. An effective residence hall security system program depends upon resident cooperation, staff supervision and University Police assistance. The best security system is one in which every member of the community takes personal responsibility for self-protection and the protection of their property.

University Police (UP) officers regularly patrol the residence halls and are readily available to assist on a 24-hour basis. A Resident Assistant or Night Clerk is on duty in residence hall complexes every night for security purposes. These security measures and personnel are representative of our concern for the protection of your person and property. Maintenance personnel make security inspections and corrections as needed. Students are encouraged to call the housing office or the police department to promptly report security deficiencies.

The Physical Plant Division maintains University buildings and grounds with a concern for the safety and security of all persons and property. Inspections are routinely conducted and repairs are promptly made to ensure that appropriate safety and security standards are maintained. The University Police Department assists Physical Plant personnel by reporting potential safety and security hazards which include conducting campus lighting surveys and reporting outages. Students, faculty and staff are also encouraged to call Physical Plant to report any safety or security hazards.

A representative of the University Police department is involved in the review of architectural plans for new facilities or major renovations to existing buildings. Specific recommendations are made to enhance the security of all facilities before contractors begin working. The University Police Department also conducts physical security surveys of campus facilities that may be vulnerable to criminal intrusion. Specific recommendations are made regarding se-

curity hardware, alarms or procedures that will serve to reduce the opportunities for crime to occur in or around campus buildings.

Off-Campus Student Residence

At the Tampa campus, many of our students live in privately owned fraternity houses or apartments located near the campus. The local law enforcement agency of jurisdiction is responsible for providing police services to these students. The University Police initiates regular contact with local law enforcement agencies regarding criminal activity occurring at off-campus student housing complexes.

The University Police Department provides a brochure titled "Choosing an Apartment a Safety Guide" which assists students in evaluating the security of off-campus apartments. This brochure identifies security features that should be available in ofd(-)Tj-Il02 Td(-)Tj-iampr crimcrim

The University of South Florida has established standards of conduct concerning the possession, sale, serving and consumption of alcoholic beverages and drugs on the University of South Florida campus. These policies and rules reflect a concern for the health and safety of the campus community and apply to University faculty, students, staff, visitors and quests.

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- ³ Pq^qb Ic Cilofa^ pq^qrqbp af`q^qb qe^q fq fp unlawful for a person under 21 years of age to possess or consume alcoholic beverages. Consequently, anyone under the legal drinking age may not consume, distribute or possess alcohol on University properties or as part of any University Activity.

Furthermore, servers can be held civilly liable for damage caused by underage drinkers to whom they provided alcoholic beverages.

- ³ Fq fp rki[^] t cri ql _b rkabo qeb fk¬rbk[^] b lc) use, possess, distribute, sell or agree to sell, or represent to sell narcotics, hallucinogens, dangerous drugs, or controlled substances, except as where permitted by prescriptions or law.
- ³ Sfli[^]qfl kp lc qebpb i[^] t p [^]ob ab [^]iq t fqe fk both criminal prosecution and with administrative sanctions, including permanent expulsion from the University of South Florida.

(Note: The Student Handbook should be consulted for further information. View it online at sa.usf.edu/srr/page.asp?id=88.)

Bike Safety! Always...

Wear a Helmet - Nearly 75% of all bicycle-re-



Theft is the biggest crime problem facing the university community. Most thefts can be prevented or made less likely to occur if attention is paid to the following:

- ³ Unlocked doors are a thief's best friend. Even if you are going out for only a few minutes ...Lock Your Door!
- ³ At night all office equipment both personal and the University's should be placed in a locked desk or cabinet whenever possible. Items such as computers should be bolted to desks. Money and stamps should be stored in a locked cash box which is kept inside a locked cabinet or desk.
- ³ Each office should have an inventory of both the University's and personal effects that are kept on the premises. Serial numbers and USF I.D. numbers should be recorded because they make recovery and identification of stolen items easier. An up-to-date record of all equipment out on repair, out on loan, or replaced should be kept.
- ³ When in libraries or other public places (dining halls, University Center and the like), backpacks, books, purses and wallets should not be left unattended, even for a few minutes. In the time it takes to get a book or a meal, a purse or wallet can be stolen easily. Faculty and staff members should lock purses and other valuables in their desks. Valuable items should never be left out in the open.

TEXTBOOK RECOVERY

³ In addition to writing your name in your textbook, pick a special page and write your driver's license number in the margin. Do this with every book you own. Report stolen books to the University Police immediately. Then notify the Book Buyback areas. As a result, you have a good chance of getting your books back and having the book thief identified and apprehended.

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- ³ The more expensive and attractive your bicycle is, the more likely it is to be stolen. A mechanically sound, generic appearing bicycle is a less likely target.
- 3 Lock your bike.
- ³ The best protection for your bike is to secure it properly with a hardened steel "U-shaped lock".
- ³ If your bike is missing call the University Police immediately.
- To assist in the recovery, you should record the serial number and keep it in your wallet, engrave your driver's license number on the frame and register your bike with Parking Services.
- The USFPD provides assistance with registering your bike and choosing the right lock. All of these services are FREE. Contact USFPD at 974-2628 for assistance.

We need o r help!

A majority of the crashes on roads are caused by driver error. Below, you will find some useful tips that can help make your trip pleasant and safe. Please observe these traffic tips and help us prevent crashes.

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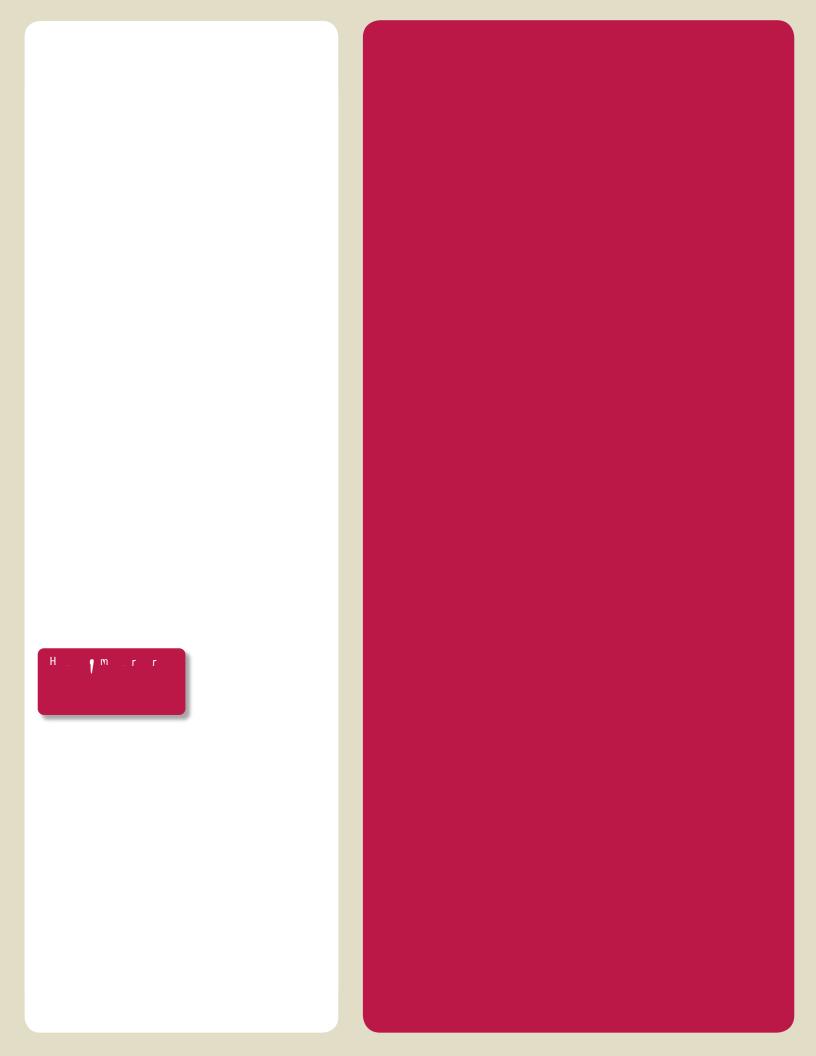
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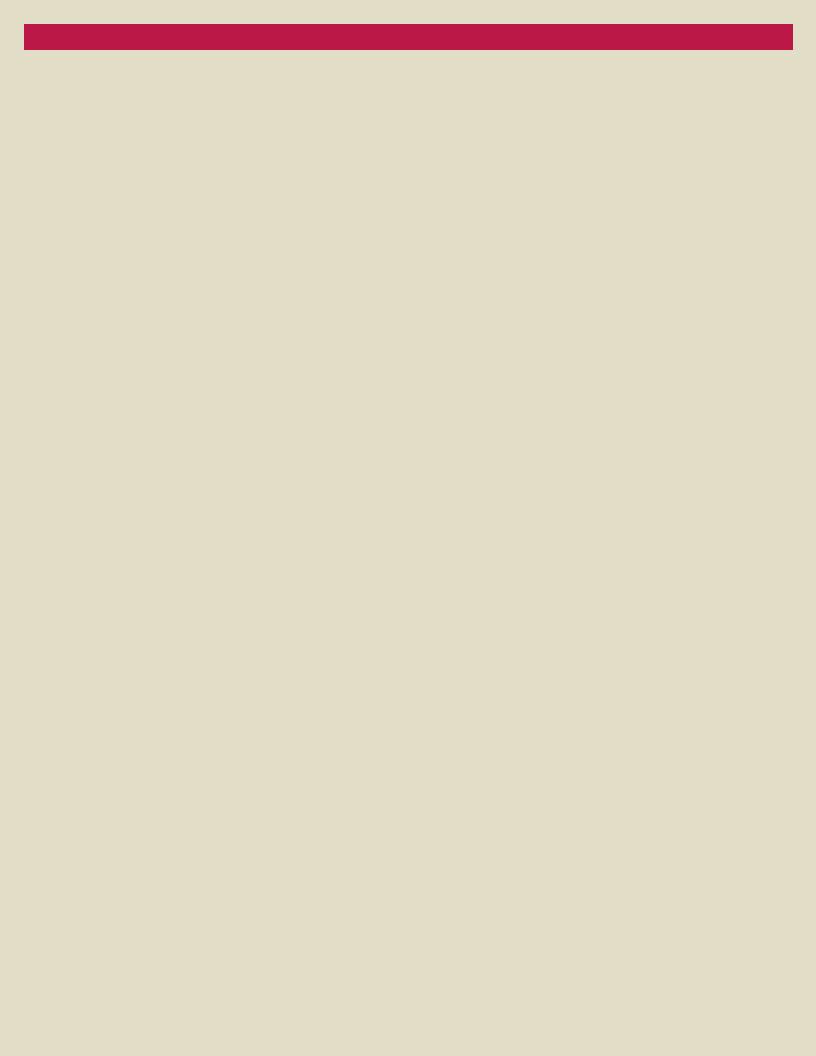
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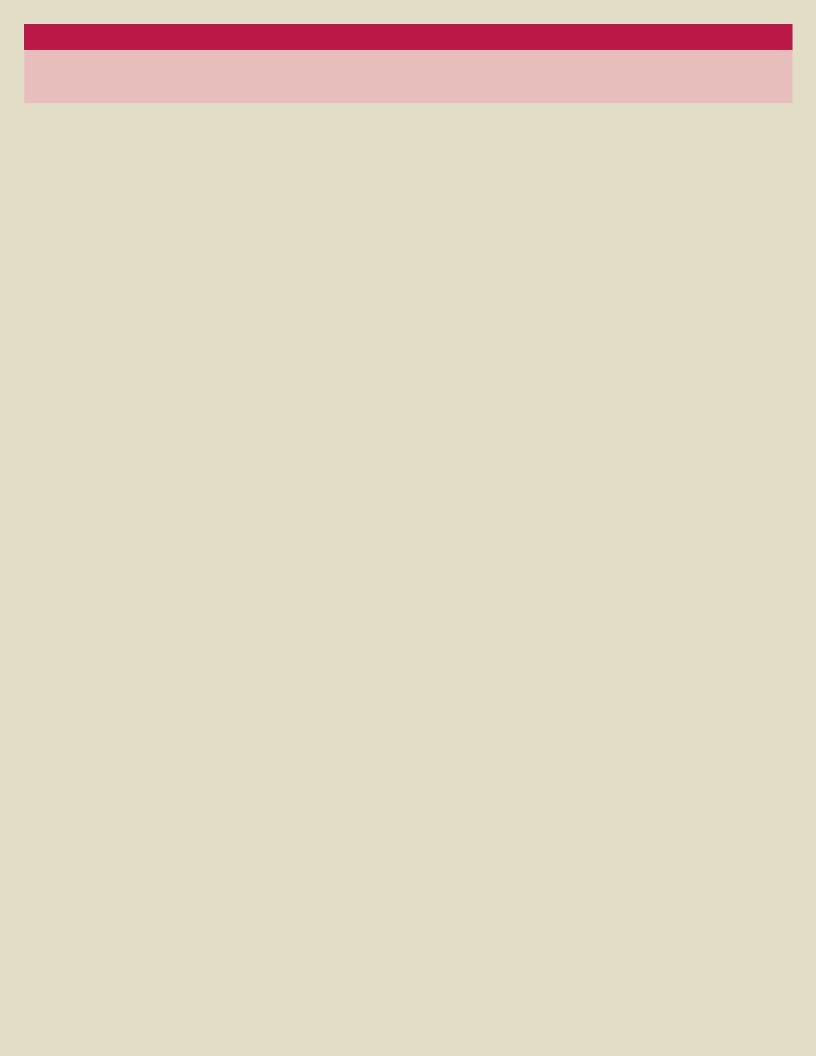
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message, authorized users in Information Technology, UCM, Emergency Management, or Administration may broadcast pre-scripted messages. Such emergency notifications will include information that will enable members of the university community to take actions to protect themselves, including information about the type of incident, location, instructions on what actions to take, and other safety information or tips.

A warning will be issued through campus warning and emergency notification systems to students, faculty, staff, tenant facilities, and visitors. Depending on the situation, all or a portion of the following systems may be employed: strobe lights, loud speakers, student portals, main USF website (www.usf.edu), flat screen TVs, cellular phone text messaging (MoBull), sirens, email, and voice messaging. If an emergency affects only a segment of the campus community, a more limited warning may be issued. For example, in the case of a hazardous release, the university may only notify individuals in the building where this occurred. There will be a continuing assessment of the situation and additional warnings will be issued as appropriate.



As stated in our EOP, the UP is responsible for notifying federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies regarding incidents as appropriate. Similarly, the Incident Commander may notify city and county entities of a potential threat or incident. It is the primary responsibility of UCM to coordinate, engage, and provide information to the public and the media on behalf of USF. Our EOP clearly indicates that nothing shall inhibit or create a delay in saving lives and, therefore, the USF Tampa campus will take appropriate actions as described above without delay.

USF Public Safety officials have the authority to order the evacuation of buildings. Based on the on-scene assessment

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- 3 Evacuate the building
- 3 Proceed to the nearest exit
- Only carry personal belongings that are near your location, DO NOT return for personal items
- Desired location is a grassy area at least 150 feet away from building
- 3 Authorities will let you know when it is safe to re-enter the building

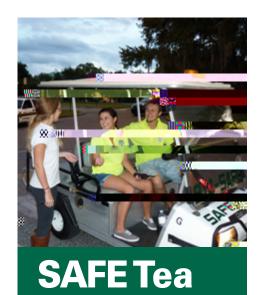
and characteristics of the emergency, the Incident Commander may: (1) determine if shelter-in-place is appropriate and issue an activation order; (2) issue a planned evacuation order; or (3) designate specific zones where the occupancy and use of buildings and the entry and exit of vehicles and persons may be prohibited or regulated. Information on protective action responses will be communicated to students, faculty, staff, and visitors using the most appropriate and expeditious means available.

MoBull Messenger was established to notify our community in the event of a campus emergency through text messaging. The service is free; however, standard text messaging rates may apply. For instructions on registering, please visit http://usfweb2.usf.edu/mobullplus/. In addition, all admitted students, faculty, and staff are provided an email account, where emergency notifications may be sent. For assistance with email accounts, please contact the Information Technology Department at (813) 974-1222.

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The titles of individuals and organizations responsible for carrying out the procedures outlined above are detailed in the EOP and are summarized as follows: the USF Department of Public Safety; the Executive Policy Group (EPG); and the Critical Incident Planning Group (CIPG).

The EPG is comprised of the following primary members:					



The SAFE Team is an on-campus escort program that provides members of the USF community a safer option for getting to their car or residence hall after class or heading to or from the library to study. SAFE Team patrols the campus at night and provides assistance to students in a variety of ways. SAFE Team's first priority is to reduce students' risk when they are most vulnerable—while walking by themselves or waiting for someone to pick them up. The SAFE Team (in one of their golf carts) can provide a safe escort for these students. In addition, as SAFE Team patrols the campus, their presence deters criminals from having an opportunity to commit a crime without being observed. All suspicious activities are reported to the University Police. Finally, SAFE Team creates awareness around campus about how to avoid violent crimes and ensures your personal safety while on-campus through programs and showcases. If you feel uncomfortable walking alone at night while on campus call 974-SAFE (7233) for a safe escort to your destination.

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