Our Mission:

The Department of Public Safety, in partnership with the campus community and within the framework of the university's mission, is dedicated to creating and promoting a safe, secure and peaceful environment by applying policies and laws, delivering emergency services, performing requests for assistance, and providing on-going education.

Public Safety Locations- MPLS Campus

Morrison Hall-1st floor

Minneapolis Opus Hall (MOH)- 2nd Floor
Terrance Murphy Hall (TMH)- 1st Floor
Minneapolis School of Law (MSL)- 1st Floor

Public Safety Department

Phone: 651.962.5100
Emergency: 651.962.5555
www.stthomas.edu/publicsafety
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Identity Theft:
Information for victims
What you need to know:

What to do if you are a victim of Identity Theft:

Identity theft: fraudulent use of personal information to commit crime.

Follow the steps below;

1. Contact Public Safety: 651-962-5100 or notify a Public Safety officer.

2. Report the incident to the local law enforcement agency where you reside as soon as possible. Public Safety can assist you with filing a report with your local law enforcement.

3. Once you file a report, request a copy to pursue your case with creditors.

4. Contact your bank, notify of breach and close your account immediately and stop payments on any stolen checks.

5. Contact Credit Reporting Agencies to flag your account with a fraud alert. Have them place a fraud lock on your account to prevent any new lines of credit to open in your name. You can contact one of the following:
   
   Equifax: 1-800-525-6285
   www.equifax.com

   Experian: 1-888-397-3742
   www.experian.com

   TransUnion: 1-800-680-7289
   www.tranunion.com

What to do (continued):

6. Contact your creditor’s fraud department regarding any unauthorized charges to your account.

7. Report to the Federal Trade Commission
   1-877-IDTHEFT
   www.ftc.gov
   www.consumer.ftc.gov

8. Other Resources:
   Privacy Rights Clearinghouse
   www.privacyrights.org

   Internet Fraud Complaint Center
   www.ic3.gov

   National Organization for Victim Assistance
   www.trynova.com

   Public Safety-Crime Prevention
   www.stthomas.edu/publicsafety/prevention/IDTheft

9. Keep copies or records of any correspondence with authorities and creditors. Follow-up with requests and be persistent in clearing your name and securing your information.

How you can PREVENT identity theft:

- Do not leave valuables unsecured or unattended. Thefts can occur in seconds! Thefts of purses and wallets lead to identity theft by use of your financial cards and personal information.

- Be aware of your surroundings, be mindful of when you are typing passwords or pins numbers and keep them covered/secure.

- Be suspicious of unexpected emails asking for personal information (scams).

- Use Credit versus Debit, if possible.

- Report any suspicious activity or people in the area to Public Safety immediately.

Notice:

Reports are written when a theft is reported; however, Public Safety does not provide a copy of the report to you. If you file a report with your local law enforcement, they will provide you with a case number. The case number is useful for your reference and credit reporting purposes.