

# UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY



## ***SECURITY ADVISORY – APRIL 19, 2002***

### **ALERT:**

Critical / Major Incident

### **ADVISORY:**

Important Incident

### **BULLETIN:**

General Information

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The Department of Public Safety would like to advise the University of St. Thomas community of two burglaries at the UST-owned 2159 Grand Avenue apartment building.

On 04/17/2002, between 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., a lower level apartment window screen was removed and an unlocked window was opened allowing entry to the unit. No apparent force was used to enter the apartment unit. The burglar or burglars stole approximately \$600 in clothing and a cellular phone reportedly worth \$140. It is believed the burglar or burglars then left through the apartment unit's door.

On 04/17/2002, between 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m., a lower level apartment directly across from the first burglarized unit was forcibly entered using an instrument to pry open the door. A backpack and checkbook were taken from the unit. No suspect information is available at this time in either of the reported crimes.

The University of St. Thomas has resources available to assist off-campus students with landlord and tenant issues. Also, if there are security of safety issues with the house or apartment you live in, the university can act as a helpful resource.

**Public Safety urges you to be pro-active and alert. *You can help prevent crime!***

### **Safety Recommendations:**

- Always lock your doors.
- Ensure that windows are locked securely and draw your shades at night.
- Keep in touch with neighbors and share phone number for use in case of emergencies.
- Watch other houses and apartment units for suspicious activity.
- Be alert to people in buildings or residence halls who appear suspicious. You know the areas in which you live and work better than anyone does. If in doubt, notify Public Safety.

### **Crime Prevention:**

- Immediately call the Department of Public Safety at (96)2-5555 if you observe suspicious activity or people loitering or lurking on and around campus at any time.
- Note the physical description of the suspect(s), the last known location and direction of travel, and a vehicle description and license plate number if applicable.
- The earlier that Public Safety is notified of a suspicious activity, the better chance of apprehension.

If you have any information regarding these crimes you are urged to contact  
Public Safety at (651) 962-5100 and the police (651) 291-1111

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