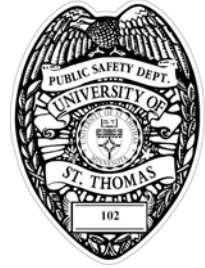


UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY- JUNE 25, 2008



ALERT:
Critical / Major Incident

ADVISORY:
Important Incident

BULLETIN:
General Information

Public Safety would like to advise the University of St. Thomas community of a crime alert issued by the St. Paul Police Department.

SPPD recently issued an alert noting that the Western District has experienced nine armed pedestrian robberies since May, 2008. The Western District is the SPPD patrol district UST is located in.

The locations and incident times have varied, but they have primarily occurred in the evenings or early morning hours. Victims have been robbed by three suspects in each of these incidents. The suspects have been reported to use a handgun to threaten the victims in each incident. Wallets, purses, and other personal property have been stolen. The suspects fled on foot in each incident.

SPPD described the first suspect as a black male, 17-24 years of age, 5' 10" – 6' 0", slender build. The second suspect is described as a black male, 17-24 years of age, 5' 6" – 5' 9", medium build. The third suspect is described as a black male, 17-24 years of age, 5' 5" – 5' 8", medium build. Clothing worn by the suspects has varied in each incident.

The University of St. Thomas believes that descriptors alone are not a valid reason to profile or cast suspicion on any individual. They are included here because they may reasonably assist in identifying the perpetrators of this incident.

Anyone with information regarding these crimes is urged to call the St. Paul Police Department at (651) 291-1111, or Public Safety at (651) 962-5100.

**Report crime confidentially or anonymously:
by e-mailing PSTIPS@stthomas.edu,
or calling 96(2-TIPS).**

Crime prevention tips:

- Call Public Safety to escort you to your destination.
- Report crimes immediately to Public Safety and the St. Paul Police Department.
- Do not wear earphones when walking or running alone outside, especially if it is dark. This potentially cuts off audible signals of threats to your safety.
- Walk in groups – there is safety in numbers.
- Don't take unnecessary risks. Stay in populated, well-lit areas.
- Report crimes immediately to Public Safety and the police.
- Remember suspect information, including direction of travel, vehicle information, approximate age, height, weight and details on hair, clothing, jewelry, scars, tattoos – anything noticeable.
- Use a buddy system with your trusted friends to watch out for one another.

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

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