

UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY



PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY – NOVEMBER 18, 2008

ALERT:

Critical / Major Incident

ADVISORY:

Important Incident

BULLETIN:

General Information

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

On 11/17/2008, at approximately 12:30 PM, MPD issued a crime alert concerning four robberies that recently occurred in the downtown Minneapolis area. They are as follows:

On 11/08/2008, at 08:50 PM, an unidentified victim reported being robbed on the 1400 block of Hennepin Avenue.

On 11/09/2008, at 06:30 PM, an unidentified victim reported being robbed at gunpoint at a parking ramp on the 1100 block of Hennepin Avenue.

On 11/13/2008, at 08:04 PM, an unidentified victim reported being robbed and assaulted at a parking ramp on the 300 block of 2nd Ave North.

On 11/15/2008, at 12:18 AM, an unidentified victim being robbed at gunpoint at the intersection of 1st Street and 2nd Ave North.

The suspect in these incidents is described as a black male, 25 – 30 years of age, approximately 5' 8", medium build, medium complexion, with a goatee and unshaven appearance, wearing a darks tucking cap, a long-sleeved thigh length pullover, a dark jacket worn open, a dark bulky glove on the left hand, holding a glove in the same hand, jeans, and white tennis shoes. The suspect is described as brandishing a dark semi-auto handgun and driving a light colored, 4-door compact car.

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 Minneapolis Police Department at (612) 673-2941, 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.
- Remember suspect information, including direction of travel, vehicle information, approximate age, height, weight and details on hair, clothing, jewelry, scars, tattoos – anything noticeable.

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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