

# University of Miami Medical Campus Crime Summary Report October 2005

## **\*\*Tip of the Month\*\***

### **Bicycle, Scooter and Motorcycle Security**

Whether you own a bicycle, scooter or motorcycle, follow these tips to help keep it secure.

**Alarms** - Get a combined alarm and electronic immobilizer fitted professionally. Your insurance company may give you a discount on your premiums.

**Locks** - Get a good disc lock or better still, a U-lock - make sure it's long enough.

**Secure** - Secure your bike to something solid that can't be moved and keep the lock off the ground - this makes it harder to break.

**Marks** - Put obvious security markings on as many parts of your bike as possible, using the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN), the registration number or your driver license number (indicate state). Do not use Social Security number.

**Garage** - If you've got a garage use it and lock it. If not, ground anchors are a good bet and cover your bike if you can.

**Keys** - Keep your keys safe and out of sight at all times.

**Steering** - Always put the steering lock on.

**Helmet** - Don't leave your helmet or other possessions on the bike.

**Second-hand** - If you're buying a second hand bike or parts, be wary of 'bargains'. Have a good look at the registration documents and check the bike's history.

# Thefts

**10/03 Dominion Towers**

Employee reported that a CD player and some loose change were missing from his 3<sup>rd</sup> floor office.

**10/04 RMSB**

Relative of a employee took a Palm PC computer left in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Student Lounge by a student. Security found the theft on video and was able to recover the computer. (Solved)

**10/08 Medical Bookstore**

A male took four scrub tops, valued at \$68 and left the store without paying for them.

**10/12 UMHC**

Morrison's catering reported their catering equipment missing from a 1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room.

**10/12 BPEI**

Radiology Department reported someone removed a \$2600.00 non-magnetic wheelchair. Item recovered by Security on 10/17. (Solved)

**10/13 Lois Pope**

Employee from a 2<sup>nd</sup> floor office reported she discovered two credit cards missing from her purse when she got home.

**10/14 PAC**

Employee from a 5<sup>th</sup> floor office reported that her ATM card and credit cards were missing from her purse.

**10/14 Holtz Childrens Hospital**

A laptop computer and projector were reported missing from a storage cabinet in a 5<sup>th</sup> floor UM office.

**10/18 UMHC**

Patient reported \$30.00 missing from her purse after her treatment in a 1<sup>st</sup> floor room.

**10/18 PAC**

Employee reported that her pager was left on a 5<sup>th</sup> floor office counter while she used the restroom. When she returned it was gone. The incident occurred two or three weeks prior to the report.

**10/20 Sickle Cell**

Employee reported a missing Zip 250 MB disk drive valued at \$150.00. The item was recovered. (Solved)

10/20 [Batchelor](#)

Employee reported the theft of 91 UM Hurricanes jerseys valued at \$1,628.00 used as gifts for research participants from a 2<sup>nd</sup> floor room.

10/20 [SCCC](#)

Patient reported the theft of their vehicle after it was left with the valet.

10/26 [Calder](#)

Employee reported the theft of their bicycle left in bike rack.

10/28 [Dominion Towers](#)

Employee reported the theft of \$180.00 from her purse left in a 7<sup>th</sup> floor office while she was at lunch.

## Assault

10/02 [Calder Library](#)

Employee was assaulted by his ex-girlfriend. Employee received minor injuries.

## Burglary

10/05 [RMSB](#)

Employee reported that someone broke out the passenger window of their vehicle that was parked in the VIP lot. Nothing was taken.

10/10 [JMT](#)

Employee reported that someone entered his 10<sup>th</sup> floor office over the week end and disturbed items. A CD player and black and white TV valued at \$400 were taken. There was no forced entry to offices.

## Vehicle Incidents

10/04 [UMHC](#)

Employee reported damage to her vehicle that was left with the valet.

10/04 [Viciano](#)

UM vehicle struck another UM vehicle at the loading dock.

10/04 [836 Lot](#)

Employee reported that he found his vehicle's rear window broken.

10/06 [UMHC](#)

A patient struck another patient's vehicle causing minor damage.

10/10 [MRI](#)

Employee reported she discovered a dent in her vehicle that was parked next to the building.

10/17 [PAC](#)

Employee's vehicle was struck by another vehicle causing minor damage.

## Trespassers

### 10/07 BPEI Employee Lot

Security responded to a report of and intoxicated male in the lot. He was located and escorted off the property.

### 10/13 Mailman

Male sleeping on 11<sup>th</sup> Court benches escorted back to the VA Hospital by Security.

### 10/28 RMSB

Security discovered a male on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor with no apparent business in the building. The male was escorted out of the building.

## Escorts

University of Miami Security Officers provided escorts to any place on campus, including Metrorail. We encourage you to use this service when walking alone and particularly after hours. Security Officers will meet you at your work location and escort you safely to your vehicle, Metrorail, or any other building on campus. Call 243-6079 to request an escort. You may be able to reduce your waiting time if you call a few minutes before you are ready to leave.

**During October, security officers provided 230 escorts with an average waiting time of 4:43 minutes.**

## General Information

### FREE SECURITY SURVEYS or CRIME PREVENTION SEMINARS

Conducted on an individual or group basis. To make an appointment or to request information, call Lee Michaud, Crime Prevention & Training Manager at 243-5084.

### CRIME TIP HOTLINE (243-6280)

Caller can remain anonymous. All information kept confidential. Ask for Craig Hopkins, Investigator at 243-6280.