

University of Miami

Medical Campus

Crime Summary Report

April 2009

****Tip of the Month****

- While in the office, make sure you lock your door even if you run out for a quick cup of coffee or to use the copy machine. Office larcenies (thefts) are very common.
- Don't be predictable. Most people keep their purse in the bottom right drawer of the desk, under the desk or on a hook behind the door. Lock your belongings inside the office if you are leaving.
- Be aware of any suspicious persons roaming your area. If someone enters your area of work immediately ask them what they are doing or who they are looking for. Ask them firmly, yet professionally if you can be of any assistance. Keep offices neat and orderly to identify strange objects or unauthorized people more easily
- If something seems strange then it may be. Call Security to report suspicious persons.
- Have staff follow strict access control procedures, don't allow exceptions.
- Keep important papers locked in secure cabinets.
- Empty trash receptacles often.

Thefts

04/08 Sylvester Cancer Center

Two employees reported that they were suspicious of another employee who possibly took cash and purchased items and paid a cell phone bill on line using their debit card information. The employee was interviewed and admitted to the allegations. The employee was terminated and the reporting employees reported the thefts to the Miami Police. (Solved)

04/10 Professional Arts Center

Patient reported that he left his wallet on a chair in a 6th floor clinic and when he returned the wallet was gone. The wallet contained \$300.00 cash, credit cards and driver license.

04/13 Gautier Building

Employee reported a suspicious male on the 4th floor. Security made contact with the male who was possession of an Apple laptop computer. Security determined the laptop was taken from a 4th floor lab. Miami Police responded and arrested the male for grand theft. (Solved)

04/14 Dominion Towers

Employee reported that a Dell laptop computer was missing from a 4th floor room. Item valued at \$800.00.

04/14 McKnight Vision Research Center

Researcher reported that a stack of DVDs were missing from a 2nd floor office. The items last seen on 04/07 and discovered missing on 04/13.

04/20 Clinical Research Building

Contractor reported that a drill and a reciprocating saw were missing from a cabinet on the 6th floor. Items valued at \$300.00.

04/21 Rosenstiel Medical Science Building

A male entered the building and took a bicycle from the 1st floor lobby.

04/28 Linda Ray Center

Employee discovered a broken classroom window on the first floor and found that a 19 inch television and three radios were missing.

Assault

04/07 Clinical Research Building

A contractor reported that he was having a verbal dispute with his girlfriend inside an elevator and she scratched him on the neck.

Burglary

None

Vehicle Incidents

04/01 UM Hospital and Clinics

Employee backed into a parked visitor in the Valet Lot causing minor damage.

04/21 UM Hospital and Clinics

Transportation van struck a contractor's vehicle in the receiving area. Minor damage and no injuries.

04/23 Bascom Palmer Eye Institute Patient Parking Lot

Patient backed into another patient's vehicle causing minor damage.

Trespassers

04/01 Rosenstiel Medical Science Building

Male entered the building and was agitated and angry. It was determined that he was looking for the JMH Parking Office. The male was escorted to that office.

04/02 Elliot Building

Security observed a suspicious male on the northeast side of the building. JMH Security and Miami-Dade Police responded and the male was transported to mental health.

04/03 Lois Pope Life Center

Security observed a male and female loitering near the south entrance. The male was a known trespasser. The pair left the area.

04/03 Dominion Garage

Security called regarding a male harassing employees on the south side sidewalk. The male was contacted and left the area.

04/05 Dominion Garage

Security observed a known trespasser on the north side of the building. The male left the area.

04/13 Sylvester Cancer Center

Security observed a male wearing a dress entering the east entrance. The male was contacted and escorted out of the building.

04/13 Schoneninger Research Quadrangle

Security observed a male yelling at passersby. The male was contacted and escorted off the property.

04/13 NW 10th Avenue and 17th Street

Security observed a known trespasser throwing food at passing cars. The male was contacted; Miami Police responded and arrested the male.

05/15 Debbie School/Mailman Center

Security called regarding a male wearing a purple dress loitering on the south side of the building. The individual was contacted and escorted off the property.

04/15 Park Plaza East

Security called regarding a female harassing passersby near a ground floor office. The female was contacted and left the area.

04/16 UM Hospital and Clinics

Security observed a suspicious male enter the building. Contact was made and it was determined the male was not a patient and escorted out of the building.

04/16 Park Plaza East

Security discovered a male sleeping near the entrance of a ground floor office. The male was advised to leave the area.

04/18 Dominion Towers

A suspicious male entered the building through the west entrance. Building security asked the male to leave and he did heading to the Dominion Garage. The garage was checked and the male had left the area.

04/20 Diabetes Research Institute

Security observed a suspicious male enter the lobby. The male was contacted and it was determined he had no reason to be in the building and was escorted out.

04/20 Bascom Palmer Eye Institute

Security observed a male enter the main lobby to panhandle. He was escorted out of the building.

04/20 Schoneninger Research Quadrangle

Security was called regarding a male screaming and asking for money. Security responded and the male was observed walking toward 10th Avenue away from the campus.

04/21 Fred Cowell Mall

Security observed a suspicious male near the Calder Library. The male was observed until he left the area.

04/22 Batacelor Children's Center

Security observed a male going through trash cans near the entrance. The male was contacted and left the area.

04/24 Bascom Palmer Eye Institute

Security observed a male soliciting for money in the ground floor food court. The male left the area when security approached.

04/25 Magnetic Resonance Imaging

Employee reported that a suspicious make was in the parking lot.

Security responded and the male left the area.

04/28 Clinical Research Building

Security observed a suspicious male enter the building. After confirming that the male did not have a reason to be in the building he was escorted out.

04/29 Bascom Palmer Eye Institute

Staff reported that a female was selling food items on the 5th floor. Security made contact with the female and escorted her 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 April, security officers provided 305 escorts with an average waiting time of 3:40 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.