The Florida Gulf Coast University Police Department

The University Police and Safety Department is responsible for law enforcement, security, disaster planning, and emergency response at FGCU and is located on the north end of the Campus Support Complex.

The law enforcement officers of the Department receive their enforcement authority via the provisions of Chapter 1012.97 F.S. All University police officers are certified by the State of Florida after completion of appropriate training and testing as set by the Florida Dept. of Law Enforcement’s Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission. Police officers at FGCU have full law enforcement authority including arrest powers on all property owned or controlled by FGCU.

The University Police Department has an excellent working relationship with all local law enforcement agencies, which assures the delivery of professional police services. A variety of State and Federal agencies are available to assist the Department when requested. Through mutual aid agreements, the Lee County Sheriff’s Office provides investigative and crime scene assistance for major incidents and assistance is available from each of the other 10 police departments that comprise the Florida State University System.

Communication and coordination with all area law enforcement are maintained on a 24-hour basis via computer networks such as Florida Crime Information Center (FCIC) and National Crime Information Center (NCIC). The Department also receives crime reports from the Lee County Sheriff’s Office and other local law enforcement agencies for criminal activity involving students. Information may be forwarded to Student Affairs for review.

Security considerations in the maintenance of campus facilities

The University buildings and grounds are maintained to provide a safe environment for all who come to campus. A variety of personnel from various departments, including Physical Plant, Auxiliary Services, Housing, and University Police work together to ensure all components that comprise the safety system are operational. This includes exterior lighting, fire and smoke detection systems, emergency exits, and security systems. This means offering a variety of crime prevention efforts, ensuring safety for vehicular and pedestrian traffic, assisting in coordinating special events, and providing reliable high quality professional service at all times.

The UPD staff strive to surpass your highest expectations, but your participation is needed. By increasing the interaction of officers with students, faculty and staff, a team approach is desired to reduce the opportunity for crime and improve reporting and solving of crimes that do occur. Officers work in teams to promote safety and secure environment that allows all to achieve their academic goals and enjoy the college experience. This means offering a variety of crime prevention efforts, ensuring safety for vehicular and pedestrian traffic, assisting in coordinating special events, and providing reliable high quality professional service at all times.

The UPD staff is here to assist. If we can be of any assistance, please contact any UPD member you encounter on campus or call 590-1900. Additionally, please check our website for helpful hints and information. Together we can make everyone’s FGCU experience a positive and enjoyable one.

Crime Prevention Education and Awareness

Community Policing/Outreach

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Silent Witness Program

The Silent Witness Program is a mechanism by which you can anonymously report crime or other incidents to the Department. If you wish to anonymously report a crime or incident, please call 590-1906.

Drug/Alcohol Education Programs

The University Police and Safety Department, in conjunction with other University offices and local social service providers, provides periodic educational programs on the effects of alcohol and drug abuse. The programs include disclosure of information critical to the participants’ ability to make informed, responsible decisions regarding the role of these substances in their lives.

Victim Advocates

The University Police and Safety Department is required by Florida State Statute to inform victims and witnesses of crimes, of their rights within the legal system. If you are the victim of, or a witness to a crime, the investigatory officer will provide you with the required information. Our close relationship with other service providers allows us to refer you to them for services beyond that which we can offer.

Operation Identification

“Operation Identification” is a program based on the concept that marked items are more difficult for a thief to dispose of as they can be traced back to the owner. Property is engraved with the owner’s driver’s license number, or other identifying number for identification purposes. The Department offers this service at no cost. Call 590-1900 to reserve an engraver.

Transportation/Escort

For routine or emergency police service on campus, please call 590-1900. For a medical or fire emergency you may dial 590-1900 or 911. Additionally, for emergencies you may use the emergency poles or boxes located throughout campus.

To confidentially or anonymously report a crime, or to provide a confidential tip on a crime, please call the Silent Witness Program at 590-1906. Additionally, a crime reporting form is available to various campus safety authorities, including CAPS, Student Affairs, and the Ombudsman Office, who can assist in filling a confidential report.
What to do if you are raped or sexually assaulted

Get medical attention immediately. The primary purpose of a medical examination following a rape is to check for injuries and the presence of sexually transmitted diseases or pregnancy (as a result of the rape). The secondary purpose of obtaining medical attention is to have all items of clothing examined at the police station, and to obtain medical evidence. It is unlawful to sell, give, or serve alcoholic beverages to a person under age 21, to misrepresent or misstate your age or the age of other persons to induce any licensee, his/her agent or employees to sell, serve, or deliver any alcoholic beverage to a person under 21 years of age.

Possession of alcoholic beverages by persons under age 21 is prohibited.

Save your clothing. It's okay to change your clothes but save what you were wearing. Your clothing could also be valuable evidence. Place clothing into separate paper bags if possible; if not, a single large bag will do.

- The use of alcoholic beverages by members of the University community is subject to the alcoholic beverage laws, Chapters 565, 365, and 856, Florida State Statutes.
- It is unlawful to sell, give, or serve alcoholic beverages to a person under age 21.
- Possession of beverage by persons under age 21 is prohibited.
- No adult (age 21 or older) shall allow an “open house party” (social gathering) to take place if any alcoholic beverages are present.

Further, Lee County Ordinances prohibit the possession of open containers in public areas.

Under University rules, a violation of the preceding may cause disciplinary action and, under appropriate state laws, referral for prosecution.

Drugs - The Drug-Free Workplace Policy is available through the Human Resources Department; the Drug-Free School Policy is available through the Office of Student Affairs.

FGCU is committed to an orderly and safe environment for all students, faculty, and staff. In this regard, the University advises students that unauthorized use or possession of weapons, to include electric weapon or device, destructive device, or any weapon including a razor blade, box cutter, or knife on the FGCU campus is prohibited by Chapter 790.115(2), F.S.S.

Emergency Notifications and Evacuations

In the event of a significant emergency or dangerous situation affecting the health and safety of students or employees occurring on campus, the University Police Department, in conjunction with the Emergency Management Team if time permits, will determine the appropriate segment or segments of the campus community to receive notification, determine the content of the notification, and utilize the appropriate mass notification systems to notify the community. The decisions will be based on the information available at the time and notification will be made unless, in the professional judgment of the responsible authority, the notification could compromise the health and safety of students or employees. The University Police Department is the primary authority for determining when and for whom to provide emergency notification. The University Police Department and Emergency Management Team will notify the community to evacuate the campus. In the event of an emergency, residents should evacuate immediately. The safety of all persons is important. The life safety fire drill information and building evacuations procedures can be found at the Environmental Health & Safety website www.fgcu.edu/EHS/lifesafety.html.

Confidential Contact: Students residing in University housing will be informed annually that they have the option to identify a person designated as a confidential contact to be notified by the University no later than twenty-four (24) hours after the time they are determined to be missing by the designated officials authorized to make that determination, specifically the Florida Gulf Coast University Police Department (FGCU/PD).
Campus Residence Fire Safety

Introduction
The Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) was signed into law in August 2008 and requires several new reporting requirements for college campuses. One of the main provisions of the HEOA is the Campus Fire Safety Right-to-Know Act. This provision calls for all Title IV eligible institutions that participate in Title IV programs and maintain on-campus student housing facilities to publish an annual fire safety report that outlines fire safety systems, policies, practices, and statistics. The following report discloses all information required by HEOA as it relates to Florida Gulf Coast University.

Fire Log
The Department of Housing and Residence Life maintains a Fire Log of all fire-related incidents occurring within the residence halls. This log includes the incident type, date incident is reported, date and time of occurrence, general location of each reported incident type and the disposition of the incident if that information is known. Information regarding the fire log should be directed to the Associate Director for Residence Life.

Facilities and Fire Protections Systems
Florida Gulf Coast University’s Office of Housing and Residence Life operates 36 apartment buildings and 2 residence halls housing approximately 3,200 students. Each apartment building/residence hall is protected by a full sprinkler system and networked fire alarm system. When a networked fire alarm is activated, the alarm sounds on a panel in the University Police Department, which is staffed 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. An officer will be dispatched along with a Resident Assistant to the building and will determine the cause of the alarm and whether the fire department should be notified.

In addition to the sprinkler and alarm systems, all buildings contain portable fire extinguishers in designated locations.

Florida Gulf Coast University’s Office of Housing & Residence Life partners with SimplexGrinnell on providing the life safety inspection services for all on-campus apartments and residence halls. SimplexGrinnell tests and maintains the fire alarm systems & fire sprinkler systems to meet National Fire Protection (NFPA) requirements. The fire alarm system is tested on an annual basis to meet the NFPA 72 requirements, including the testing of all peripheral fire alarm devices. The Fire Sprinkler Systems are tested by SimplexGrinnell on an annual & quarterly basis to meet the NFPA 25 requirements for water based protection systems, including the fire pumps on the property. SimplexGrinnell tests and certifies the fire extinguishers in the apartments, suites and common areas of housing in compliance with NFPA 10 requirements. SimplexGrinnell confirms system readiness, inspects all components of each system, performs functional testing using specialized tools and instrumentation, makes necessary adjustments and/or calibrations, and provides detailed reports recommending any necessary corrective actions.

Fire Safety Education and Training
The Office of Housing and Residence Life conducts in-depth fire safety training with the Residence Life staff each year. Training sessions on fire safety, fire evacuation protocol, and the role of a Resident Assistant (RA) in any fire related emergency are conducted each year during Resident Assistant training. The RAs are also trained on fire extinguisher use and basic level fire extinguishing techniques.

Fire Safety Policies
The following are prohibited in the residence halls/apartments:

- Smoking
- Use of candles and/or incense
- Use of open flame appliances
- Halogen lamps
- Live Christmas trees
- Tampering or playing with fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, sprinkler heads, exit lights, emergency lights, or other emergency equipment
- Starting a fire
- Leaving food cooking unattended

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In accordance with the definition of fire within the federal guidelines, FGCU will report any instance of open flame or other burning in a place not intended to contain the burning in an uncontrolled manner.

Access to University Facilities and Housing
FGCU is a public university with many buildings and events open to the public. Many of the buildings or establishment open to the public have the hours posted in the building. Some buildings and offices are secured by locked doors accessible only by key or access card. The University Police provide regular patrol of the entire campus. Any individual who interferes with the orderly operation of university business may be escorted from campus or arrested.

All residents of University Housing are issued access cards and keys. All exterior doors and individual bedroom doors should remain locked. Visitations policies and hours are set by the Office of Housing & Residence Life (OHRL).

University Disciplinary System
The Division of Student Affairs coordinates all student judicial proceedings through the Office of the Dean of Students. Complete information on the judicial process can be found within the Student Guidebook.

Students charged with violations of a Student Code of Conduct will be given adequate notice of the charges and allegations against them, and be provided an opportunity to address these charges during a hearing. Victims of sexual misconduct may be asked to provide testimony at a campus disciplinary hearing. Students found responsible for the charges against them. In cases where the alleged offender's conduct poses a threat to the University community, the Dean of Students may choose to impose a web tool for interested parties to search their data-base. This database may be used to find sex offenders and prospective or current students. A residential security survey. For information on RAD or Crime Prevention programs, call 590-1900.

Registered Sexual Offenders Search
In accordance with state statutes, registered sexual predators must register with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. Convicted sex offenders from out of state must register in Florida within 48 hours of establishing residence.

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2010 Fire Statistics

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## Crime Statistics

The above charts reflect criminal offenses reported directly to UPD or through other law enforcement agencies or campus safety authorities. The Student Right To Know and Campus Security Act requires certain information regarding crime and policies relating to security be prepared, published and distributed to all students, employees and any applicant. These statistics are compiled through the Office of the Chief.

*Occurred in 2009 but reported in 2010.

No hate crimes were reported in 2008, 2009, or 2010.

Noncampus include West Lake Village, Vester Marine Field Station, Naples Botanical Garden and Naples Center. West Lake Village is off-campus housing purchased October 2010 and accounts for all noncampus statistics.

### Timely Warning, Crime Alerts and Daily Crime Logs

The Police Department, in conjunction with other University Departments or local law enforcement agencies, issues campus Safety Alerts promptly when an incident is considered a serious or continuing threat to students or employees. These Safety Alerts will be posted on the Department website at http://admin.fgcu.edu/police/homepage.htm, at other locations around campus to reach the impacted population, and otherwise distributed as needed via e-mail and text messaging through the FGCU Alert system.

The Department does maintain a daily crime log database. The log includes the nature, date, time, and general location of each crime reported to the Department. The log is available for review at the Police Department. The information is also provided weekly or as requested to the Eagle News for publication in the school newspaper.

### ON-CAMPUS

**Emergency** ............................................. 590-1900 or 911

**Non-emergency** ...................................... 590-1900

**OFF-CAMPUS**

Off Campus Police/Ambulance/Fire. ........................... 911

Abuse Counseling and Treatment (Crisis Line) ............... 939-3112

Drug Abuse Services ......................................... 275-4242

Florida Abuse Hot-line ....................................... 800-962-2873

Aging and Adult Services ...................................... 338-1236

Children and Family Services ................................. 338-1312

Counseling and Student Health Services ...................... 590-7950

Poison Information Center .................................... 800-222-1222

Rape Crisis Intervention ...................................... 939-3112

VISTA (Mental Health, Suicide Prevention) .................. 275-4242

State Attorney 20th Judicial Circuit .......................... 335-2700

The FGCU Alert system is a text messaging and e-mail emergency notification system for events on campus. You may register by going to http://www.fgcu.edu/alert/.