


California State University, San Bernardino

Coyote Safety

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FOR INFORMATION ABOUT OTHER CAMPUS SAFETY PROGRAMS, CALL CSU PD AT (909) 537-5165 OR EXT. 75165

THEFT PREVENTION

A secure environment is made possible through community involvement in crime prevention. The purpose of community crime prevention is simple: to help you recognize your own vulnerability to crime, and reduce your risk through preventive action and cooperation with the police.

Theft is the most common crime on the San Bernardino campus. Most thefts occur during the daylight hours, and in 80% of reported thefts and burglaries, thieves enter the structure without forced entry. In your residence, living group, or office, exchange information about your schedules and watch your neighbors' houses, rooms, and work areas. Report suspicious activities to one another and to the police.

Residence Halls

Overall the CSUPD supervises security in CSUSB residence halls and apartments. The residence halls and apartments are locked 24 hours a day, and entry is controlled by a mechanical or pass-card key system. In addition, Community Service Officers patrol the residence halls and apartments during the evening hours. Resident Assistants provide safety programs for students, especially at the beginning of the year, and the Residential Coordinator is linked with an officer at the CSUPD for additional coordination and information exchange.

More information about security measures in the residence halls is available in the Office of Housing and Residential Life, "CSUSB Resident Handbook."

Residential Theft Prevention Tips

CSUSB Police Department encourages you to take responsibility for protecting your property.

Here are a few tips for discouraging would-be thieves in your residence halls, houses, or apartments.

- Keep outside doors locked.
- Ask strangers to wait in common areas while their friends are summoned.
- Lock your room door and windows when you leave, even if only for a minute, and take your keys with you.
- Keep small valuable items out of sight, in a closed drawer, or another safe place.
- Politely offer assistance to persons in your building or residence you do not recognize. If they have legitimate business, they will appreciate your help. If they do not, ask them to leave.
- Keep your room locked when you are out during move-in. Do not leave your car unlocked when loading or unloading.
- Do not leave coats, books, or other valuable items in common areas. Keep them in your room.
- If you hear or see something suspicious, call the police immediately. Dial 911 from any landline phone (including pay phones). From a cell phone on campus, dial (909) 537-5165.

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Security Surveys

Is your residence or office relatively safe from burglary and break-in? Have an officer from CSUPD Crime Prevention identify areas in your home or office that may need security improvement. They can show you how to safeguard your apartment or office against unlawful entry and theft. For more information, or to arrange for a security survey, call (909) 537-5165. If you are off campus, call the City of San Bernardino Police at (909) 384-5742, or your local police department.

University and Personal Property

Over \$300,000 worth of University and Personal property was stolen from the San Bernardino campus during the 2005-2006 school year. Wallet, purse, and backpack theft make up a large percentage of personal property theft. If you work in an office, you can reduce the opportunity for theft by taking a few simple precautions:

- Do not leave your wallet/purse in unlocked desks, cabinets, or in the open
- Lock up your desk when you leave
- Lock your door when you leave, even if you are gone for a short time
- Create an office or building watch program within your building; work with other occupants to monitor offices and property
- Maintain strict key control to all offices in your building as required by the Campus Access Control Policy

Call the Crime Prevention Unit of CSUPD at (909) 537-5165, if you would like suggestions on how to start an office or building watch program.

Property Lock-Down

Although no office or home is completely safe from theft, you can make it more difficult for a thief to steal your equipment or property, and improve the chances of recovering stolen property, by following the suggestions below:

- Keep an updated inventory of all office, lab, and home equipment
- Have all equipment locked down with an approved lockdown device
- Identify all University equipment by engraving on the top or front side
- Identify your personal property by engraving your California Driver's License, do not use your social security number. If you live out of state, you can use that number followed by the abbreviation for the state of issue.

To borrow an engraver for university equipment, receive a copy of the approved lock-down vendor list for the campus, or an engraver for use on your personal property, contact the CSUPD - Records Division at (909) 537-5165.

Suspicious Persons/Behaviors

If you see a suspicious person in your building, ask if you can help them. If the person has legitimate business in the building, he or she will appreciate your assistance. If not, ask the person to leave the building, but only if you feel comfortable doing so. If the person refuses to leave, call the police. Be prepared to describe the person when you call police. The following are examples of behaviors that could be considered suspicious:

- A person or persons you, or the other residents/employees, do not recognize going from room to room or office to office
- A person or persons standing in a hallway for a long period of time
- A person or persons waiting outside of the building near the time that the building will be closing

City of San Bernardino Police Department: Community Services Bureau

The City of San Bernardino Police Department (SBPD) through its Community Services Bureau works toward serving the concerns of San Bernardino residents and merchants by identifying needs and solving problems using the principles of Community Oriented Policing. The following are just some of the services that the Community Services Bureau provides:

- Neighborhood Watch
- Business Watch
- Crime Prevention - Personal Safety Presentations
- Home/Business Security Surveys
- "McGruff" (the Crime Watch Dog)
- Crime Prevention Library (video tapes, brochures)
- Vacation Notification Program
- Crime Statistics

For more information on these and other services offered by the City of San Bernardino Police Department, Community Services Bureau contact them at (909) 384-5742 or (909) 384-5769.