

University of Miami Medical Campus Crime Summary Report January 2012

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

Warnings When Using Craigslist

- Don't allow a potential buyer to test-drive the car alone.
- Deal only in cash to avoid bad or fraudulent checks.
- Meet in a public place during the day.
- Don't meet a potential buyer or seller alone.
- Don't wire money to the seller.

Never wire money to strangers -- period. If someone sends you a check and asks you to send money to another person, it's a scam. No legitimate business does that.

Craigslist users can easily avoid virtually 100 percent of scam attempts by following one simple rule: Deal locally with sellers you can meet in person.

Thefts

01/02 UM Hospital

Discharged patient reported that a wallet containing \$75.00 cash was not included when their personal items were returned. The items described were not documented on the valuables record when the patient was admitted.

01/03 Fred Cowell Mall

Security observed a male on video taking the seat off a bicycle locked to the bike rack across from the Calder Library. The male fled on foot after observing security officers approaching.

01/03 UM Hospital

Patient reported that their nutrition bag and computerized pump went missing between the emergency room and a 6th floor patient room. Item valued at \$2,400.00.

01/04 Bascom Palmer Eye Institute

Visitor reported that a Fisher Price camera valued at \$60.00 was missing from a 4th floor clinic.

01/06 UM Hospital

Patient in a Penthouse floor room reported that his wallet and \$250.00 cash was missing. Admission documents indicated patient denied having a wallet when admitted.

01/06 Clinical Research Building

Employee reported that \$100.00 cash was missing from a deposit bag in a 5th floor department's safe.

01/08 UM Hospital

Patient in an 8th floor room reported that their dentures missing. Item valued at \$5,500.00.

01/09 UM Hospital

Patient in a 6th floor room reported that their cell phone was missing. Patient could not provide the make, model or value of the phone.

01/09 Dominion Garage

Administrator reported that a Dell 21" monitor was missing from a ground floor suite. Security investigator was able to locate the item. (Solved)

01/10 UM Hospital

Patient in a 12th floor room reported that their Blackberry cell phone was missing. Item valued at \$250.00.

01/11 Life Science and Technology Park

Employee reported placing a wallet on a file cabinet in the 1st floor receiving area. The wallet was gone when he returned. Wallet contained two debit cards and \$1.00 cash.

01/16 UM Hospital

Employee reported finding a door unlocked for a 1st floor department. A digital camera valued at \$200.00 was missing.

01/13 UM Hospital

Patient in a Penthouse floor room reported that a purse containing \$20.00 cash was missing from the room while they were out for x-rays.

01/17 UM Hospital

Employee reported that a Nike jacket left in a 12th floor patient room was missing when the employee returned for it.

01/17 McKnight Vision Research Center

Researcher reported that a Verbatim flash drive was missing from a computer in an unsecured 6th floor office. Item valued at \$30.00.

01/18 UM Hospital

Patient in a Penthouse floor room reported finding a rosary, perfume bottle

and an iPod missing from the room when they returned from a walk.

01/22 **UM Hospital**

Employee reported that a phone cord left on a desk in an unsecured 2nd floor office was missing.

01/24 **UM Hospital**

Employee reported that a portable cardiac monitor was missing from a 3rd floor recovery room. Item valued at \$7,000.00. Security investigator located the item. (Solved)

01/31 **UM Hospital**

A patient in an East Building 7th floor room reported that while he was out having dialysis a wallet left in the room was missing. The wallet contained identification and \$20.00 cash.

Assault

01/06 **UM Hospital**

A patient in the custody of Miami-Dade Corrections struck a corrections officer with a metal bar removed from the bed. The officer had minor injuries to his leg.

01/25 **Metrorail Station Civic Center**

Employee reported that a male grabbed them by the arm as they were walking to work. There were no injuries.

Burglary

None

Vehicle Incidents

01/17 **Triangle Parking Lot**

Unicco employee reported that a company box truck was discovered with damage to the driver's side door and fender.

01/26 **UM Hospital West Building**

Employee returning from a doctor's appointment discovered minor damage to the left front bumper of their vehicle.

01/26 **15th Street Garage**

Employee reported finding dents and scratches to the bottom passenger door of their vehicle that was parked on the 9th floor.

01/27 **15th Street Garage**

Employee reported finding scratches on the driver's side outside mirror of their vehicle left parked on the 4th level.

01/29 **Bascom Palmer Eye Institute**

Visitor dropping off a patient in the receiving area struck a contractor's van while backing out. There was minor damage and no injuries.

Trespassers

01/01 **Sieron Building**

Security discovered a male sleeping on a patio bench near the north entrance. The male was escorted off the property.

01/08 **14th Street Garage**

Security observed a male going through a trash can at the north entrance. The male quickly left the area when security officers approached.

01/11 **UM Hospital and Clinics**

Security observed a suspicious male wandering in the building. The male was contacted and escorted out of the building.

01/14 **Two Story Lab**

Security discovered a male sleeping near the south entrance. The male was escorted off the property.

01/23 **Rosenstiel Medical Science Building**

Security observed a suspicious male, on video, attempting to remove boxes from a utility cart near the north side entrance. Security contacted the male and escorted him off the property.

01/24 **15th Street Garage**

Security manager observed two suspicious individuals exiting the building. Security contacted the individuals and determined they were lost and looking for the Metrorail Station.

01/27 **Fred Cowell Mall**

Security alerted to a male approaching and harassing passersby near the McKnight Building. The male was contacted and escorted off the property.

01/27 **Fred Cowell Mall**

Security observed a male attempting to take a bicycle from the bike rack across from the Calder Library. The male fled as security approached.

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-SAFE (7233) 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 January, security officers provided 142 escorts with an average waiting time of 3:19 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.