University of Miami  
Medical Campus  
Crime Summary Report  
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**Tip of the Month**

Safety tips to protect your mobile device:

- When purchasing a Smartphone, know the features of the device, including the default settings. Turn off features of the device not needed to minimize the attack surface of the device.
- Depending on the type of phone, the operating system may have encryption available. This can be used to protect the user's personal data in the case of loss or theft.
- With the growth of the application market for mobile devices, users should look at the reviews of the developer/company who published the application.
- Review and understand the permissions you are giving when you download applications.
- Passcode protect your mobile device. This is the first layer of physical security to protect the contents of the device. In conjunction with the passcode, enable the screen lock feature after a few minutes of inactivity.
- Obtain malware protection for your mobile device. Look for applications that specialize in antivirus or file integrity that helps protect your device from rogue applications and malware.
- Be aware of applications that enable Geo-location. The application will track the user's location anywhere. This application can be used for marketing, but can be used by malicious actors raising concerns of assisting a possible stalker and/or burglaries.
- Jailbreak or rooting is used to remove certain restrictions imposed by the device manufacturer or cell phone carrier. This allows the user nearly unregulated control over what programs can be installed and how the device can be used. However, this procedure often involves exploiting significant security vulnerabilities and increases the attack surface of the device. Anytime a user, application or service runs in "unrestricted" or "system" level within an operation system, it allows any compromise to take full control of the device.
- Do not allow your device to connect to unknown wireless networks. These networks could be rogue access points that capture information passed between your device and a legitimate server.
- If you decide to sell your device or trade it in, make sure you wipe the device (reset it to factory default) to avoid leaving personal data on the device.
- Smartphones require updates to run applications and firmware. If users neglect this it increases the risk of having their device hacked or compromised.
- Avoid clicking on or otherwise downloading software or links from unknown sources.
- Use the same precautions on your mobile phone as you would on your computer when using the Internet.
Thefts

01/01 Biomedical Research Building
Student reported that their bicycle left locked to the bike rack on the west side of the building was missing. Bicycle valued at $395.00.

01/02 UM Hospital
Administrator reported that a four slice toaster was missing from a ground floor dining room. Item valued at $30.00. 01/07 security investigator determined the toaster was returned. (Solved)

01/02 UM Hospital Parking Garage
Physician reported that a fanny pack was missing from their vehicle left parked on the 3rd floor. The bag contained credit cards and identification. They were no signs of forced entry.

01/08 Clinical Research Building
Administrator reported that during the previous two weeks a pair of sunglasses, valued at $200.00, and a bottle of Champagne, valued at $15.00, was missing from unsecured work station on the 14th floor.

01/08 Sylvester Cancer Center
A patient reported leaving an iPad in a ground floor exam room. When the patient called back the item could not be located. The security investigator was able to locate the item and it was returned to the patient. (Solved)

01/09 UM Hospital
Patient in an 8th floor room reported discovering an unknown male in their room. The male fled down a stairwell. The male took the patient’s cell phone. The male dropped a wallet belonging to a patient in a 7th floor room. The patient was contacted and reported that the wallet had contained $25.00 cash.

01/11 Professional Arts Center
Employee reported that a small basketball hoop was missing from their desk, in a locked 4th floor office. Item valued at $25.00. 01/14 security investigator determined the item was located. (Solved)

01/11 Northwest 12th Avenue and 9th Street
An employee walking to the campus from the Culmer Metrorail Station was approached by a male with a gun. The male took the employee’s cell phone and wallet. Miami Police are investigating.

01/14 Biomedical Research Building
Employee reported that a gas cylinder transport cart was missing from a 9th floor lab. Item valued at $200.00.

01/14 UM Hospital
Patient in a 12th floor room reported that pair of earrings was missing. The item was valued at $250.00.
01/17  **Clinical Research Building**  
Employee reported that a Sony laptop computer left unsecured on the floor of a cubical on the 10th floor was gone when they returned from lunch. Item valued at $1,000.00

01/19  **McKnight Vision Research Center**  
Security dispatcher observed, on video, a male removing copper cable from a generator on the west side of the building. Security officers detained the male for Miami Police. The male was arrested. (Solved)

01/20  **UM Hospital**  
A patient being discharged reported that $20.00 cash was missing from their belongings.

01/21  **Mailman Center for Child Development**  
A visitor waiting to have a child seat installed in their vehicle, on the east side of the building, reported that an unknown person took a large purse from the front passenger seat of the open vehicle. The purse contained a laptop computer, wallet and credit cards.

01/22  **Rosenstiel Medical Science Building**  
Contractor reported that a flatbed cart was missing from the basement. The item was valued at $1,000.00.

01/22  **Fred Cowell Mall**  
Security observed a male attempting to cut a cable lock off a bicycle locked to the bike rack. The male was detained for Miami Police. (Solved)

01/25  **UM Hospital**  
Patient in a 6th floor room reported that a twenty dollar bill was missing from their wallet.

01/25  **UM Hospital**  
Patient in an 8th floor room reported that their wallet was missing. The wallet contained a credit card and no cash.

01/28  **UM Hospital and Clinics**  
Unicco employee reported that an umbrella was missing from a picnic table located on the east side of the building.

01/30  **Fred Cowell Mall**  
Security discovered a male taking the front wheel from a bicycle locked to the bike rack near the Calder Library. Miami Police responded and took the male into custody. (Solved)

01/31  **UM Hospital**  
Patient in an 8th floor room reported that $300.00 cash was missing from a wallet.
**Assault**

01/06  **UM Hospital**
Psychiatric patient on 9th floor struck two staff members causing minor injuries. Miami Police responded and the patient was restrained.

**Burglary**

None

**Vehicle Incidents**

01/02  **14th Street Garage**
A valet attempting to enter the garage driving a visitor’s vehicle was rear ended by a patient also attempting to enter. There was minor damage and no injuries.

01/08  **14th Street Garage**
A visitor backed into a vehicle in the 1st level exit lane causing minor damage.

01/15  **15th Street Garage**
Employee reported finding damage on the left rear bumper of their vehicle left parked on the 9th floor. Security investigator reviewing video observed damage on vehicle when it entered the garage. (Solved)

01/20  **UM Hospital and Clinics**
Visitor reported that there was damage to the shift cable of their vehicle left with the valet.

01/23  **14th Street Garage**
A visitor reported finding damage to the left front fender of their vehicle left parked on the 3rd floor.

01/31  **14th Street Garage**
Employee reported discovering damage to the rear of their vehicle left parked on the 7th floor. Video showed the damage was on the vehicle when it entered the garage.

**Trespassers**

01/09  **Bascom Palmer Eye Institute Valet Lot**
Security observed male harassing passersby. Miami Police were called but the male left the area prior to their arrival.

01/14  **15th Street Garage**
Security observed an unauthorized individual enter the lobby. The male was contacted at the elevator and escorted out of the building.
01/24 **UM Hospital**
A female entered a 1st floor office and caused a disturbance. The individual was gone when security arrived.

01/25 **Diabetes Research Institute**
Security discovered a male attempting to gain entry to the employee’s entrance in the early morning hours. The male was contacted and escorted off the property.

01/29 **UM Hospital**
An unknown male became disruptive in the Emergency Room Triage area. Security contacted the male who left the area.

**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 228 escorts with an average waiting time of 3:51 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.