

Towson University Police

CRIME PREVENTION BULLETIN

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Spring has arrived along with the welcomed arrival of warm weather. The Towson University Police Department would like to remind the Towson University Community of building security and office safety practices. By practicing safe habits we can help reduce or limit “Crimes of Opportunity”. For example, leaving your valuables unattended for any length of time in an unsecured area gives a thief an opportunity to take your property.

Students are reminded to always KEEP DOORS and WINDOWS LOCKED at all times. University Police have received reports of unknown persons walking in student’s rooms when doors have been left unlocked. Take away the opportunity for this to happen and help reduce crime.

Increase your awareness of suspicious persons and situations. Don’t assume that everyone in a campus building is a member of the community or providing a service to the University – **TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS!** If something doesn’t seem right, then it probably isn’t. Immediately report suspicious persons and situations to the Towson University Police at ext. 42133 or (410) 704-2133.

University Police are seeking your help in identifying this person. He is believed to be responsible for some recently reported burglaries. His mode of operation is trying doors until he finds one open and takes property such as wallets, computers, cell phones, etc. Anyone with information please call 410-704-2133. Please click on the below link to view the photo.

<http://wwwnew.towson.edu/adminfinance/facilities/police/documents/BOLOscarburglary.pdf>

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For more information on campus crime and safety, please visit our website at
<http://www.towson.edu/police>.

OFFICE THEFTS OF WALLETS /PURSES/CREDIT CARDS

Recently the University Police have documented a few crimes of opportunity wherein wallets and other valuables were stolen from offices and unattended purses/knapsacks. In some cases credit cards have also been used. It is important that everyone on campus practice their best crime prevention techniques, including, **(1) securing ALL valuable property when that property must be left unattended, (2) be aware of those around you and report ANY persons acting in a suspicious or unusual manner, and, (3) be mindful that most thefts involve unattended property, left alone for seconds and frequently when the victim is nearby.**

Being aware of crimes occurring in your community is one of your best defenses against becoming a victim.