

## **MUW Police Department**

# **Community Safety Bulletin**

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As the semester comes to an end, the W Police Department would like to remind the campus community of holiday safety tips. The holiday season is always a special time of year. It is also a time when people get busy and become vulnerable to theft and other holiday crime. We can never be too careful, too prepared, or too aware.

### **Holiday Safety Tips**

- Avoid driving alone or at night.
- Keep all car doors locked and windows closed while in or out of your car.
- Park in well-lighted areas.
- Do not leave packages or valuables on the seat of your car.
- If you must use an ATM, choose one that is located inside or in a well-lighted location.
- Even though you are rushed and thinking about a thousand things, stay alert to your surroundings.
- Be aware of strangers approaching you for any reason.
- Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows to building, office or place of residence.

#### W-Alert Reminder

In the event that a situation arises, either on or off campus, that constitutes an ongoing or continuing threat, a campus wide "timely warning" will be issued. The warning will be issued through the University's text messaging system called W-Alert to students, faculty and staff. Take a moment to ensure you are signed up for the W-Alert at <a href="https://www.muw.edu/police/preparedness/walertsignup">www.muw.edu/police/preparedness/walertsignup</a>.

#### **Crisis Management App**

We encourage you to download the Crisis Management App and use it as a reference in the event of an emergency. Please visit <a href="https://www.muw.edu/police/preparedness/app">www.muw.edu/police/preparedness/app</a> for download instructions.

#### **Active Shooter Reminder**

Dangerous situations can occur on and off college campuses. In light of recent active shooter incidents in other states, the W Police Department encourages individuals to view this video produced by Homeland Security, <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5VcSwejU2D0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5VcSwejU2D0</a>. The topic is surviving an active shooter event. Some of the video content may be disturbing, but it is intended as a learning tool. The video is also housed on the police department's webpage at <a href="http://www.muw.edu/police/prevention">http://www.muw.edu/police/prevention</a>.

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