



CRIME ALERT

Anderson/Centennial Halls

Release Date: 10/12/2013

On Saturday, October 12, around 4:30 a.m., AU's Department of Public Safety received a report that multiple doors and adjacent hallways in the Anderson/Centennial residence halls had been vandalized.

The Department of Public Safety Received the Following Report:

Between the hours of 11:00 a.m on Friday, October 11 and 4:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 12, an unknown suspect placed offensive and discriminatory graffiti on multiple areas inside of the Anderson/Centennial residence halls. The Department of Public Safety is currently investigating this incident.

Suspect Description:

There is no suspect description at this time.

If you have information relating to these incidents, or witness suspicious activity, please call the Department of Public Safety at 202-885-3636.

General Safety Tips

- Be aware of those around you, and of your surroundings in general.
- Do not leave your doors unlocked, even for brief periods of time.
- Do not let anyone follow you into your residence halls or office area, nor admit anyone as a guest unless they are your guest.
- Ensure all windows are secured upon your departure
- Report lost keys to the Department of Public Safety immediately.
- Avoid isolated and dark areas.
- Carry your cell phone and keep it accessible.
- If you are approached, take note of the person's appearance, clothing and anything unusual that will help identify the suspect.
- Be aware of the emergency telephones (yellow boxes on pillars, blue light phone towers, and red telephones) located on campus, in building lobbies, elevators, and in parking lots.
Program AU Public Safety into your cell phone for emergencies: **202-885-3636**.
- The Department of Public Safety provides escorts, twenty-four hours a day/seven days a week, for community members to and from university owned property. To arrange for an escort, call **202-885-2527** or use a blue light or red emergency phone

Make a Confidential Tip through the Department of Public Safety Webpage at:
www.american.edu/finance/publicsafety/tips.cfm

If you would like a copy of this alert, please visit: <http://www.american.edu/finance/publicsafety/crimealerts.cfm>

The American University Department of Public Safety (AUDPS) notifies the campus community when crimes are reported to AUDPS or the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) which the University believes represent a continuing threat to its students or employees, in a manner consistent with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act. The University uses its best efforts to provide information that is both accurate and helpful, but community members should recognize that the University is able to relay information only as it is reported to AUDPS from MPD. Community members are encouraged to report external incidents to AUDPS to assist in the effective implementation of this program.

Emergency: 202-885-3636