ANNUAL CALIFORNIA CAMPUS SAFETY PLAN REPORT

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Annual California Campus Safety Plan Report

Thank you for taking time to read this year’s annual California Campus Safety Plan report. The report is designed to provide you with important information about safety and security at Cal Poly. California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo prepares this report in compliance with California State Education Code, Chapter 16, of the Donahue Higher Education Act, Section 67380. The passage of AB 1433 amended sections of the California Education Code found at Sections 67380 et seq. – the student safety provisions. California publically funded educational institutions are required to compile reports of occurrences and arrests for Part I crimes of willful homicide, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault as well as crimes occurring on campus that involve violence, hate violence, theft, destruction of property, illegal drugs, and alcohol intoxication committed on campus the previous calendar year. This report is a separate and distinct report from the Annual Security Report (ASR) required under the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (the Clery Act).

Campus safety and security is a shared responsibility. The best protection against campus crime is an aware, informed, alert campus community in partnership with a law enforcement presence. The vast majority of our students, staff, faculty, and visitors do not experience crime at Cal Poly. However, despite our best efforts, crimes sometimes still occur. This information is provided because of our commitment to campus safety and security and in compliance with California State laws.

Availability and Location of University Police and Methods to Summon Assistance

The University Police Department is committed to the safety and well-being of the campus community. We are a full service, community oriented law enforcement agency providing service to the campus 24/7. There is always University Police Officers on duty to assist a student, faculty, guest, or staff member. It is a goal of the department to provide an environment in which all people feel safe and secure, and to maintain a professional workforce that is responsive to the needs of the campus community. In addition, we work closely with the City of San Luis Obispo Police Department to safeguard the campus.

The campus community and guests are encouraged to report all crimes, suspicious activity, and public safety related incidents to the University Police Department (UPD) in a timely manner for prompt response by the police. To report a crime or an emergency on the Cal Poly campus dial 9-1-1 from any phone or at extension 6-2281 from any University phone or, 805-756-2281 from any off campus phone. University Police dispatchers are available at these numbers 24 hours a day to answer your call, provide assistance, and dispatch a police officer or the appropriate resource, as needed. The University Police Department is located at 1 Grand Avenue, Bldg. 36, San Luis Obispo, California 93407. The administrative office hours are Monday – Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. The office phone number is 805-756-6652. After hours, an on-duty officer may be reached through the University Police Dispatch directly at 805-756-2281 or 6-2281 from any campus phone. In addition to these contact options emergency “blue light” phones have been placed predominately throughout the campus. To contact the police simply push the red button and the caller will immediately be placed in contact with the police dispatch center. For additional information on the University Police Department, services provided, and news and information, please visit the website: https://afd.calpoly.edu/police/.

Access to Campus Facilities

Campus facilities are provided primarily for the education-related needs of enrolled students. Use and allocation of University Facilities is governed by section 240 of the Campus Administrative Policy.
Persons without a lawful purpose may be removed from the campus per California Penal Code Section 626.6. Access to campus residence halls are restricted to hall residents and guests, and are regulated by University Housing.

All entrances to the residence halls and apartments are locked 24 hours a day. Students who live in on-campus housing may enter the building by using their room keys/key cards. Security phones are installed at the entrances of residential buildings to allow visitors to contact friends in the building to be admitted. Students who have room or apartment doors open to publicly accessible areas are reminded and encouraged to keep doors closed and locked at all times. For more information, please call University Housing at 805-756-1226, or visit the website: www.housing.calpoly.edu

**Security Considerations Used In Maintenance**

The University takes appropriate precautions to provide security during maintenance of facilities. Routine maintenance of facilities is primarily by full-time University employees. Maintenance and custodial employees in the residence halls are closely supervised, work routine business hours, and do not enter private rooms without direction. Contractors in the residence halls work either in empty buildings or directly under supervision of University employees. General contractors on campus are responsible for security to the facilities in which they are working. Specific direction and a university liaison are provided for each contractor/project.

On-campus residents should report any residence facilities maintenance needs, such as inoperative door or window locks, non-functioning lights, broken windows and torn window screens promptly to their residence hall staff. University Housing staff will coordinate all requests to facilitate timely repair.

**Security and Crime Prevention Programs**

**Crime prevention education and awareness**

The University Police Department stresses the importance of crime prevention. Each officer is responsible for problem identification and proper education to the campus community of potential criminal activity and opportunity. The department coordinates and administers several programs available to members of the campus community. University Police works closely with Residential Life staff to provide training and educational information on crime prevention and personal safety techniques throughout the year.

The University Police Department offers crime prevention and awareness presentations to campus organizations, departments, clubs and groups upon request throughout the academic year and in partnership with University Housing. The University Police Department, Housing Staff, and Safer staff provides presentations available to all incoming students and their parents as part of Week of Welcome and other orientation activities to all incoming students before they arrive to Cal Poly. The educational modules focus on education on sexual violence, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Stalking, bystander intervention and consent.

**Actions taken in the last 18 months to increase safety**

- Implemented the TapShield Personal Safety Mobile app. With TapShield, UPD can better identify threats, prevent crimes and improve safety to the campus community. Our primary focus is on prevention and deterrence, and secondarily on fast response.
- Escort safety van service expanded designated pick up locations to the Poly Canyon Village and traditional “red brick” residential housing areas.
- Created and implemented a weekend walking escort and safety patrol (Mustang Patrol) which operates Thursday - Saturday from 8:00 pm – 2:00 am.
• UPD provided numerous active shooter educational presentations to students, faculty, and staff.
• Emergency Management participated in the California Great Shake Out program.
• Campus entered into MOU with the City of San Luis Obispo to formalize jurisdictional obligations, sharing of information, and training for the mile radius surrounding campus where UPD and SLOPD share concurrent jurisdiction.

Changes in safety precautions expected to occur in the next 24 months.
• Expand active shooter presentations and include shelter in place drills
• Hire one additional police officer each year (total of three additional) until the opening of the new Housing South residential complex (July 2018).
• Evaluate requests for new surveillance cameras on campus to comply with proposed new video policy guidelines.
• Expand bicycle patrol operations

Cal Poly Campus Safety Plan Statistics

2014 On Campus Statistics

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