

TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY ANNUAL SECURITY & FIRE SAFETY REPORT



2023

In Compliance with the Jeanne Clery
Disclosure of Campus Security Policy &
Campus Crime Statistics Act

Campus Crime Statistics 2020-2022

Campus Safety Policies, Programs & Services

Fire Statistics 2020-2022

Fire Safety Information & Policies

Texas Woman's University Annual Security & Fire Safety Report

Prepared by the Texas Woman's University Police Department in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (20 USC § 1092(f), 34 CFR 668.46).

POLICY FOR PREPARING THE ANNUAL SECURITY & FIRE SAFETY REPORT AND DISCLOSURE OF CRIME STATISTICS

The Texas Woman's University Police Department (TWUPD) is responsible for preparing and distributing the Annual Security & Fire Safety Report to comply with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act). Campus crime, arrests, disciplinary referrals & fire statistics include those reported to TWUPD designated Campus Security Authorities (including but not limited to deans, student life, advisors, athletic coaches, and residential assistants) and local law enforcement agencies. The Annual Security & Fire Safety Report is published every year by October 1st and contains three years of selected campus crime and fire statistics and certain campus security policy statements in accordance with the Clery Act.

Why an Annual Security & Fire Safety Report?

The Clery Act was designed to assist students in making decisions which affect their personal safety and to ensure institutions of higher education provide students, prospective students, employees, and prospective employees the information they need to avoid becoming victims of campus crime. The Higher Education Act of 1998 and the subsequent amendments of the implementing regulations (34 C.F.R.668.46) significantly expanded institutions' obligations under the Act.

Notifications

Each year, an email notification is sent to students, faculty, and staff providing the website link to access this report, the report is also directly available on the notification email as an attachment. Upon request, members or prospective members of the campus community may obtain a printed copy of the report at the TWU Police Department located at 1201 Oakland Street, Denton, Texas 76201; by calling (940) 898-2911; or on the web: <https://www.twu.edu/police>

TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

The Texas Woman's University Police Department (TWUPD) provides law enforcement and security services to all components of Texas Woman's University. The department has 45 authorized positions that include state certified police officers, security officers, telecommunicators, and administrative support personnel.

To provide a safe campus for our students, staff, faculty, and visitors, the Denton campus has uniformed officers on patrol 24-hours a day, seven days a week. To provide this around-the-clock coverage, officers work in three shifts. Security officers work closely with patrol officers by constantly patrolling the university properties and answering certain calls for service such as unlocks and other non-emergency assists.

Dallas and Houston campuses provide security by employing security officers during normal business hours with after-hours services provided via contact with the Denton campus Communications division.

Patrol is the core of the TWUPD; patrol officers are the ones who answer calls for service, respond to alarms and enforce state criminal and traffic laws. The department also has officers responsible for specialized assignments including Criminal Investigations, Crime Prevention, and Bicycle Patrol.

Jurisdiction, Enforcement, Arrest Authority, Mutual Agreement, and Interagency Cooperation of the University Police Department

The Texas Woman's University Police Department is the primary police authority for Texas Woman's University. TWUPD police officers are certified Texas peace officers as defined in article 2.12 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure. Pursuant to Section 51.203 of the

Texas Education Code, the jurisdiction of Texas Woman's University police officers includes all counties in which property is owned, leased, rented, or otherwise under the control of Texas Woman's University.

Currently, Texas Woman's University has campuses in Denton County, Harris County, and Dallas County. As peace officers, the Department's armed police officers have the same authority to detain and arrest as municipal police officers. While the security officers do not typically make arrests, their presence and observations at various campus locations support and assist the work of the patrol officers.

The Texas Woman's University Police Department is computer linked to city, state, and federal criminal justice agencies, which provide access to criminal records, wanted persons, stolen property and vehicle information. All crimes reported to TWUPD are investigated and are referred for prosecution through the District Attorney or the Offices of the County Attorney when appropriate. Criminal matters involving university students may also be referred to the university administration for student conduct.



Texas Woman's University Police Department maintains excellent working relationships with all area law



enforcement agencies including the Denton Police Department, Dallas Police Department, Houston Police Department, Denton County Sheriff's Office, Texas Department of Public Safety, Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms agency, Drug Enforcement Administration, and the local field offices of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Working relationships are maintained through periodic communications among agency administrators and frequent contacts between officers and investigators cooperating on

specific cases. Through these relationships, TWUPD monitors and records student off-campus criminal activity when they are alerted to an issue regarding a TWU student.

Professional Standards

The Texas Woman's Police Departments' relationship with the community, and ensuring that they provide excellent service is vital to achieving the overall mission of having a safe and secure campus. All members of the Texas Woman's University community can expect to be treated in a courteous and professional manner by members of the department.

The Texas Woman's University Police Department will not tolerate an employee who acts unprofessionally or who does not provide an appropriate level of service. Texas Woman's University Police Department also wishes to recognize instances where TWUPD employees have been especially helpful or have exceeded expectations in the service they have provided. The quality of the TWUPD services is dependent in part on feedback from the community that they serve. Please help improve the department by bringing your complaints and compliments to (940) 898-2911. You may also ask to talk to an on-duty police supervisor at any time.

Address written correspondence to: Chief of Police, Texas Woman's University Police Department, 1201 Oakland St., Suite 102, Denton, Texas 76201.

TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT DIRECTORY

Denton TWU Police Department	(940)-898-2911
Dallas Security	(214)-689-6666
Houston Security	(713)-794-2222
Chief of Police	(940)-898-2922
Patrol Services Division	(940)-898-2928
Special Services Division	(940)-898-2921

TWUPD Website: <http://www.twu.edu/police>

TWUPD SAFETY AND SECURITY PROGRAMS

Texas Woman's University Police Department is committed to keeping members of the TWU community safe, as a courtesy, they offer the following programs:

- **Courtesy Escorts:** TWUPD provides a courtesy escort service for members of the TWU community which is typically used during late night hours. When available and upon request, TWUPD police officers or security officers will escort members of the TWU community. The courtesy escort service is limited to on-campus destinations only.
- **Emergency Pole-Phones:** Emergency pole phones have been placed at strategic locations on campus. When the emergency button is pushed, the location of the call is automatically identified and the caller is connected to TWUPD. Locations of the telephones are marked on all parking maps.
- **Emergency Red-Phones:** Emergency red-phones are located inside buildings on campus. These phones are red in color and when you pick up the receiver it immediately automatically dials TWUPD.
- **Motorist Assistance:** TWUPD assists the TWU community when individuals need to jump-start their vehicles, retrieve locked keys, or run out of gas on campus. Some services are not available at all times; however, TWUPD will assist people in contacting services from another source. Call TWUPD for details. This service is not available at the Houston campus.

TWUPD CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAMS

A primary goal of the TWUPD is to prevent crimes before they occur. Because TWUPD officers cannot be everywhere at once, they need the help of all members of the university community to take an active role in their personal safety and property protection. Crime prevention is important to the campus community and you can help by reporting any crime or suspected crime immediately to TWUPD. By doing so, you may be preventing someone else from becoming a victim.

The TWUPD Special Services Division continually presents programs covering crime prevention and security information to students, staff, and faculty. These officers are dedicated to crime prevention efforts and programs. They participate and provide information during new student and transfer student orientation and international student orientation, in addition to a number of other programs scheduled annually with student, staff, and faculty organizations. For additional information or to schedule a program you are encouraged to call the Special Services Lieutenant at (940) 898-2921.

TWUPD offers a variety of crime prevention programs to campus community members:

- Personal Safety Awareness/Self Defense
- Residential and Office Security Survey
- Sexual Assault Awareness
- Stalking, Domestic Violence, & Dating Violence Awareness
- Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention
- Campus Security Authority Training
- Emergency Response Procedures/Pioneer Alert
- Active Assailant Training



Emergency Pole Phone pictured outside of the Mary Evelyn Blagg-Huey Library

NIGHT OWLS

Night Owls offers students a helping hand getting to and from on-campus destinations. Operating out of the Blagg-Huey Library, Night Owls will run Monday through Thursday from 7 p.m. until midnight and Friday from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m.

If you are on campus late at night and want some company walking to and from your car or to any of our buildings, just call 940-898-2293 go to the Library Information Desk to request an escort. This is a free service for TWU students that is operated by TWU Parking Office staff.

GENERAL SAFETY TIPS

- Avoid walking alone, particularly after dark. Use the courtesy escort service whenever possible. If walking alone is unavoidable, be aware of your surroundings and let someone know when to expect you.
- Avoid shortcuts. The shortest route is not always the safest route. Walk away from alleys and bushes.
- Avoid deserted areas, poorly lit streets, dark alleys and pathways.
- When walking or jogging, go against the flow of traffic; that makes it harder for motorists to bother you. If harassed from a car, walk or run in the opposite direction and scream if you are truly frightened.
- Do not jog while wearing headphones, or at least do not have the volume turned up so loud that you cannot hear things around you.
- Carry your personal belongings in a backpack or similar container that will enable your arms and hands to be free at all times.
- Avoid approaching your car with bundles or bags that restrict use of your arms.
- Always have your keys ready to unlock the door to your car or residence and enter without delay and lock the doors after you get inside.
- Before entering your car, look in the back seat and on the floorboard.
- Always lock car doors when you leave or enter your car, roll your windows up before you park.
- Never leave belongings in plain view in your car. Lock items in the trunk if you have one.
- If someone in a vehicle attempts to stop you, even to ask for directions, do not get close to the vehicle.
- Register, engrave, mark, and/or photograph all your valuables including bicycles, jewelry, vehicles, computers, etc.
- Avoid using an ATM in a dark, isolated area; it's best to use machines that are in highly visible public areas, such as a supermarket.
- Never flash your cash.
- Be responsible with alcohol. If you are intoxicated, you are not as alert and an easier target for robbers and attackers.

GENERAL SAFETY TIPS FOR SECURITY IN CAMPUS RESIDENCES

- Never leave your door open, even if you will be gone for only a few minutes; especially, never leave a door propped open. Always lock doors, screens and windows to prevent uninvited access to your room.
- Do not mark your room key or key chain with your name, address, or telephone number.
- Do not give anyone a key to your room.

- Do not leave valuables in plain sight.
- Never let strangers into your hall, this puts you and others at risk.
- Be aware of suspicious persons and activities. If you observe someone or something suspicious, notify the residence hall staff and TWUPD at (940) 898-2911.

LOST AND FOUND

If you are looking for something that you have lost on campus, or if you would like to turn something in that you have found, go to the TWUPD office at that campus.

THE DAILY CRIME LOG

TWUPD maintains a Daily Crime Log that is available to the public. This summary identifies the crime type, location, when it was reported, the date(s) and time(s) that it occurred, as well as the status of the investigation.

You may request a copy of the Daily Crime Log by emailing cleryacttwu@twu.edu or by requesting it in person at the TWUPD office if you are on the Denton campus.

REPORTING CRIME

Procedures for Reporting Crimes and Other Emergencies

All University community members and guests of the University are encouraged to report suspected criminal activity to the police as soon as possible. Fires, health emergencies, crimes, and violations of University policies and procedures should be reported to TWUPD either in person at 1201 Oakland Street, Denton, TX 76201 or by telephone by dialing (940) 898-2911. If you are located on the Dallas or Houston campuses, you should dial 911 immediately. If you are located on the Denton campus and dial 911, the Denton Police Department will transfer your call to TWUPD. You may also use one of the many emergency red-phones located throughout campus and residence halls as well as emergency pole-phones which are located strategically outside various campus buildings. If you would like to anonymously report criminal activity, you may choose to fill out the Silent Witness form online, which can be found at: <https://twu.edu/police/silent-witness/>

We cannot overemphasize the importance of prompt and accurate reporting of crime. If a crime is not reported promptly, evidence can be destroyed or the potential to apprehend a suspect is lost. Without accurate reports, leads could be missed, and the investigation headed in the wrong direction. If you witness a crime or emergency, promptly report it to the TWUPD and be prepared to answer questions as accurately as you can. Even when the victim of a crime elects not to, or is unable to make such a report, it is important to notify the authorities. The subsequent investigation can only be as thorough as the information received. If you are the victim of a crime, or you have seen or received information of criminal activity or another emergency, please contact the police immediately.

REPORTING CRIMES TO OTHER UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS

Campus Security Authorities

The Clery Act also mandates that institutions must disclose statistics both for crimes reported to local police agencies and crimes reported to Campus Security Authorities (CSA's).

Campus Security Authorities include the following:

- A member of a campus police department or a campus security department of an institution.
- Any individual or individuals who have responsibility for campus security (e.g., an individual who is responsible for monitoring the entrance into institutional property).
- Any individual or organization specified in an institution's statement of campus security policy as an individual or organization to which students and employees should report criminal offenses.
- An official is defined as any person who has the authority and the duty to take action or respond to particular issues on behalf of the institution.
- An official of an institution who has significant responsibility for student and campus activities, including, but not limited to:
 - Athletic Coaches
 - Student Life Staff
 - Emergency Management Staff
 - Greek Life Leadership
 - Faculty Advisors to Student Groups
 - Housing & Dining Staff including RA's, ASA's and RD's
 - Title IX Staff

The intent of including non-law enforcement personnel as Campus Security Authorities is to acknowledge that many people, students in particular, are hesitant about reporting crimes to the police, but may be more inclined to report incidents to other campus-affiliated individuals. TWU allows individuals to report crimes on a confidential, voluntary basis for inclusion in the annual disclosure of crime statistics.

Although exempt from the reporting requirements of the Clery Act, pastoral and professional mental health counselors may refer persons they are counseling to report crimes on a voluntary, confidential basis for inclusion in the annual statistics, especially if the incident may pose an ongoing threat to the campus community. Physicians and nurses of the Student Health Center who treat a victim of a violent crime that occurred on the campus or a facility, under the control of the university, must disclose the reported crime to the university police. They are not required to release the names of victims/patients.

Faculty, staff, and students who are victims or witnesses of criminal offenses within the campus community are encouraged to report it directly to the police.

As an option, you may also report criminal offenses for statistical purposes to the following TWU offices:

Student Life	(940)-898-3615
University Housing & Dining	(940)-898-3676
Disability Support Services	(940)-898-3835
Title IX Coordinator	(940)-898-2968

IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO RETALIATORY ACTION AGAINST ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH RESPECT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY PROVISION OF THE CLERY ACT.

Title IX

The Title IX Coordinator oversees the university's response to reports and complaints of sex discrimination, sexual assault, sexual misconduct, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking. The Title IX Coordinator can receive a complaint, provide information, or answer questions about students' rights or course of action available to students as well as answer questions about the university policies or procedures. The Title IX Coordinator is also considered a Campus Security Authority; they must report information on crimes to be used for statistical purposes, no names or identifying information will be used for the Clery Act statistics.

Compliance Hotline

Texas Woman's University has an Ethics and Compliance Hotline. This hotline underscores its commitment to maintaining high ethical standards in all university interactions. The hotline enables members of the university community to anonymously report suspected misconduct or other issues of concern. Examples of misconduct may include misuse of funds or TWU resources, discrimination, harassment, compliance issues, health and safety issues, and more.

The hotline is administered and managed by the TWU Office of Compliance with functionality provided by Lighthouse Services, Inc., an independent company that has provided confidential, anonymous reporting services since 1998. Reports may be made 24 hours a day, seven days a week at: Toll-Free Hotline: (844) 406-0004. Fax: (215) 689-3885 (you must include TWU in the report).

Website: <https://www.twu.edu/hotline/> Email: reports@lighthouse-services.com

REPORTING CRIMES OUTSIDE OF TWU JURISDICTION

For off-campus offenses, we encourage prompt reporting to the proper local law enforcement agency. In an emergency situation off-campus, call 911 immediately. If requested, TWUPD will assist you in notifying the proper law enforcement authorities. It is a goal of the TWUPD to assist members of the TWU community in reporting crimes even if they did not occur on-campus.

TWUPD makes a good faith effort to stay informed of all criminal activity involving students at off-campus locations. Surrounding municipal agencies, state law enforcement agencies such as the TABC, and federal agencies routinely inform campus police about incidents where their officers contact TWU students. Annually, the department also requests area agencies to provide crime statistics for those areas immediately adjacent

to the campus boundaries in our Clery Act reportable geography. When received, these statistics are included in the Annual Security & Fire Safety Report.

NOTIFICATION OF PENALTY FOR FALSE ALARM OR REPORT

Under Section 42.06 of the Texas Penal Code a person commits an offense if he/she knowingly initiates, communicates or circulates a report of a present, past, or future bombing, fire, offense, or other emergency that he/she knows is false or baseless and that would ordinarily: (1) Cause action by an official or volunteer agency organized to deal with emergencies; (2) Place a person in fear of imminent serious bodily injury; or (3) Prevent or interrupt the occupation of the building, room, place of assembly, place to which the public has access, or aircraft, automobile, or other mode of conveyance.

An offense committed under this section is a class A misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$4,000 and a jail term not to exceed one year. However, it is considered a **state jail felony** offense if such a false report or false alarm relates to an emergency involving a public or private institution of higher education or involving a public primary or secondary school, public communications, public transportation, public water, gas, or power supply or other public service. A state jail felony is punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000 and a jail term of 180 days to two years.

CRIME STOPPERS

Crime Stoppers encourages members of the community to assist local law enforcement agencies in the fight against crime by submitting crime tips anonymously. Crime tips submitted through Crime Stoppers are completely anonymous. Certain tips that lead to an arrest may be eligible for a cash reward. Denton County Crime Stoppers recently launched a Safe Schools Program which encourages students to report criminal activity on campus. To report criminal incidents anonymously to the Denton County Crime Stoppers, call 1-800-388-TIPS (8477), download the free P3 Tips app, or submit tips through their website:

www.dentoncountycrimestoppers.com

Dallas residents may contact the North Texas Crime Stoppers by calling 1-877-373-TIPS (8477), submit a tip through their free P3 Tips app, or submit a tip through their website: www.ntcc.crimestoppersweb.com

Houston residents may contact Crime Stoppers of Houston by calling 713-222-TIPS (8477), submit a tip through their free P3 Tips app, or submit a tip through their website: www.crime-stoppers.org



GANG FREE ZONES

Texas Education Code

In accordance with the Texas Education Code Section 51.973, and listed in the Texas Penal Code 71.02, when criminal acts are committed by gang member(s) on or within 1,000 feet of the property owned, rented or leased by Texas Woman's University, the resulting prescribed punishment will automatically be enhanced to the next level for individuals 17 years of age or older.

Texas Penal Code: <http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/PE/htm/PE.71.htm>

MISSING PERSON POLICIES

It is the policy of the Texas Woman's University Police Department to thoroughly investigate all reports of missing persons. In addition, the agency considers a missing child, and an adult that is mentally impaired, to be considered "at risk" until significant information to the contrary is confirmed. Time is of the essence when a person is missing. The National Child Search Assistance Act now allows police to report missing persons under 21 years of age to the National Crime Information Center and begin an investigation as soon as a missing person report is received. If you receive reliable information that a student cannot be located, please call the TWUPD immediately at (940) 898-2911. If the student does not reside on TWU property, TWUPD will assist you in contacting the appropriate law enforcement agency.

Missing Student Notification for Residents

Emergency Contacts/Missing Persons

If someone has reason to believe that a student who resides in on-campus housing is missing, he or she should immediately notify TWUPD at (940) 898-2911. A Resident Assistant or Resident Director can assist you with contacting TWUPD at your request. After being notified about a missing person, TWUPD will generate a missing person report and initiate an investigation.

In addition to registering a general emergency contact, students residing in on-campus housing will be asked to identify an individual to be contacted by TWU in the event the student is determined to be missing for more than 24 hours. If a student has identified such an individual, TWU will notify that individual no later than 24 hours after the student is determined to be missing. The missing person designated contact information is located on the Housing Application and must be completed at the time of application. The student's missing person contact information is confidential and will be accessible only by authorized campus officials and law enforcement in the course of a missing person investigation.

After investigating a missing person report, should TWUPD determine that the student has been missing for 24 hours; TWUPD will notify local law enforcement and the student's emergency contact no later than 24 hours after the student is determined to be missing. If the missing student is under the age of 18 and is not an emancipated individual, TWU will notify the student's parent or legal guardian in addition to their designated missing person contact and local law enforcement.

PIONEER ALERT

Texas Woman's University Police Department uses a variety of methods to alert students, faculty and staff in case of a significant emergency or threat on campus.

The Pioneer Alert emergency notification system can deliver mass emergency messages from the police to an affected campus by the following methods:

- Campus Computer Alerts
- Text Message (SMS)
- Personal E-mail
- Personal Phone

Other than a significant emergency or threat on campus, an example of circumstances that might warrant a Pioneer Alert is the notification of campus closures due to inclement weather, Crime Alerts, and other occurrences that might affect the campus community such as road closures due to construction etc. The University conducts testing of the Pioneer Alert emergency notification system once per semester; these tests are launched by the communications section of TWUPD.

Pioneer Alert: Students, Faculty, and Staff

Students are prompted to register for the Pioneer Alert system or officially opt out of receiving alerts before they are allowed to register for classes. Students can modify their Pioneer Alert settings and change/add/remove contact information at any time. Faculty and staff email addresses are automatically enrolled in the Pioneer Alert system. Faculty and staff who wish to update their settings or add a phone number, or students who want to update their settings or contact information may do so by following this link:

<https://twu.edu/police/pioneer-alert/>

Pioneer Alert: Public Access

Parents, family, and friends of Texas Woman's University can receive emergency alerts by being entered by a currently associated member of the university. If you are a currently associated member of the university and you have someone who wants to be registered to receive Pioneer Alerts you can register them by following this link to the TWUPD Pioneer Alert information webpage: <https://twu.edu/police/pioneer-alert/>

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION POLICY

It is the policy of TWUPD to notify the campus community, via the Pioneer Alert emergency notification system, upon the confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or employees occurring on campus. Personnel authorized to issue a Pioneer Alert emergency notification are: the Chief of Police and the Director of Emergency Management or their designees, in cooperation with the Vice President of Finance and Administration and TWU Marketing and Communications personnel. The generation of a Pioneer Alert emergency message and activation of the notification system is the responsibility of TWUPD, although, Emergency Management is usually responsible for weather-related alerts.

Pioneer Alert!



TWUPD may receive information confirming a significant emergency or dangerous situation from entities including, but not limited to: local and state law enforcement, fire department, National Weather Service, TWU Office of Risk Management, the TWU Office of Emergency Management, the county Health Department, or from the Texas Department of Health Services.

Once confirmation is received, TWUPD will without delay, and taking into account the safety of the community will:

- Determine which segments of the campus community to receive the notification
- Determine the content of the notification
- Instruct TWUPD Telecommunicators (or designee) to initiate the notification system
- Issue follow-up information on the emergency if more information is obtained (which will also be disseminated through the Pioneer Alert notification system)

Emergency Notification or follow-up information may not be issued if the notification will, in the professional judgment of responsible authorities, compromise efforts to assist victims or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

TWUPD conducts pre-scheduled testing of the Pioneer Alert emergency notification system once per semester.

CRIME ALERT (TIMELY WARNING) POLICY

In some situations, the need for a Crime Alert may be issued. The Crime Alert policy is different than the Emergency Notification policy in that it applies only to Clery reportable crimes while the Emergency Notification policy addresses a much wider range of threats (i.e. gas leaks, tornadoes, active shooter, etc.). The circumstances in which a Crime Alert will be generated include, but are not limited to, the receipt of a good faith report to TWUPD or a Campus Security Authority of a crime reportable under the Clery Act that poses a serious or continuing threat to the campus community that occurred within our Clery geography. The Texas Woman's University Police Department is responsible for the issuance of Crime Alerts. Anyone with information warranting a Crime Alert should report the circumstances immediately to the TWUPD, by phone (940) 898-2911 or in person at the TWUPD offices in Denton, Dallas, or Houston. If you choose to do so, you may report information of a crime to a Campus Security Authority. The Chief of Police, or designated other official, is responsible for determining if a Crime Alert will be issued. The determination will be made on a case-by-case basis after due consideration of all available facts of the crime, such as the nature of the crime and whether or not a continuing danger to the campus community exists.

Crime Alerts may be issued through different avenues depending on the severity of the incident or how much time has lapsed before the incident was reported to TWUPD. Crime Alerts may be issued through email blasts, posted signs, or Pioneer Alerts. Crime Alerts will contain sufficient information about the nature of an identified threat to assist members of the campus community in taking appropriate action to protect themselves or their property.

The Crime Alert will generally include:

- A readily understandable description of the type of crime or occurrence
- The general location, date, and time of the offense

- A physical description of the suspect(s) if available or composite picture if available
- Possible connection to other incidents
- Date and time the alert was issued
- Suggested measures which members of the University community can take to help protect themselves or their property

It is important to note that in some cases law enforcement may need to withhold some of the facts if releasing the information would compromise an ongoing investigation or the identity of the victim.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS & EVACUATION PROCEDURES

Emergency Preparedness and Response

The TWU Emergency Management Plan establishes guidelines for responding to emergencies affecting all TWU facilities and all members of the university community.

The plan establishes an emergency management team, a reporting structure for the University, and assigns responsibilities for emergency response functions. The team is comprised of a policy and operational group. Plan activation, decision-making, coordination, and communication between the policy and operational groups are described in detail in the plan.

Possible emergencies that may occur include, but are not limited to the following:

- Bomb Threat
- Civil Unrest
- Fire (localized building fire or wildfire)
- Hazardous Material Spill
- Severe Weather
- Campus Violence
- Explosion
- Gas Leak
- Public Health Crisis
- Terrorist Incident

The TWU Office of Emergency Management is responsible for conducting tests of emergency response and evacuation procedures on at least an annual basis through a variety of drills and exercises designed to assess and evaluate emergency plans and capabilities. Evacuation drills are conducted throughout the year in residence halls and other campus facilities. Exercises may be conducted in various formats including tabletop, functional, full-scale, or combinations thereof. Tests may be announced or unannounced in advance to the campus community. Each test is documented including at a minimum; a description of the test, the date and time, and whether it was announced or unannounced.

Various university departments including the Office of Emergency Management, Risk Management and TWUPD, utilize outreach programs to train and educate the campus community, providing the knowledge

needed to respond appropriately to various types of hazards. Additionally, the Office of Emergency Management is responsible for annually publicizing emergency response and evacuation procedures to the campus community. This publicity occurs primarily through email "blasts" sent to employees and students at least once annually.

Emergencies requiring Fire Department/Emergency Medical Service response are provided by the City of Denton, City of Dallas, or the City of Houston respectively depending on which campus community is affected by the emergency. TWUPD is usually first to respond to emergencies occurring on the TWU Denton campus and works with local authorities to resolve an emergency if needed.

Students and employees are required to notify TWUPD of any situation or incident occurring on campus that may constitute an immediate threat to the health and/or safety of the campus community.

Shelter-in-Place Procedures

If an incident occurs and the buildings or areas around you become unstable, or if the air outdoors becomes dangerous due to toxic or irritating substances, it is usually safer to stay indoors, because leaving the area may expose you to that danger. Thus, to shelter-in-place means to make a shelter of the building that you are in, it typically involves going to an interior room away from doors or windows and waiting for TWUPD to issue the all-clear.

Basic Shelter-in-Place Guidance

If an incident occurs and the building you are in is not damaged, stay inside in an interior room until you are told it is safe to come out. If your building is damaged, take your personal belongings (purse, wallet, phone etc.) and follow the evacuation procedures for your building (close your door, proceed to the nearest exit, and use the stairs instead of the elevators). Once you have evacuated, seek shelter at the nearest University building quickly. If police or fire department personnel are on the scene, follow their directions.

How You Will Know to Shelter-in-Place

A shelter-in-place notification may come from several sources, including TWUPD, Housing & Dining Staff members, other University employees, the federal or state government, local police departments or other authorities utilizing the University's emergency communications tools.

Evacuation Procedures

The Office of Emergency Management can assist in addressing needs assessments and training for those who need assistance in the event of a building evacuation. If you have a disability or mobility impairment and have concerns about how you would evacuate from a particular building you can contact Risk Management at (940) 898-3367 or the Office of Disability Support Services at (940) 898-3835.

If you receive instructions to evacuate or a fire alarm is activated, immediately proceed to the nearest exit and leave the building. During an evacuation, the fire alarm will generally be the first notification system utilized. However, depending upon the circumstances of the emergency, you may receive an alert from the Pioneer Alert emergency notification system, or a police officer or other university official may instruct you to evacuate. If you are the first to recognize a fire or other serious problem that would warrant evacuation, activate the alarm, evacuate to a safe location using the nearest exit, and notify TWUPD by calling (940) 898-2911 or by dialing 911. If you are at the Dallas or Houston Campus dial 911 immediately.

During an evacuation, please follow the following guidelines:

- Remain calm
- Do not use elevators, use the stairs
- Assist physically impaired individuals. If an individual is unable to exit using the stairs, assist the individual into an enclosed stairwell, and immediately inform TWUPD or the responding fire department of the individual's location.
- Proceed to a clear area at least 150 feet from the building. Keep all roadways clear for emergency vehicles.
- Do not re-enter the building until given the "all clear" by TWUPD.

Additional Resources

The City of Denton utilizes a mass notification system called Alert Denton to notify residents of emergency conditions. This service is provided free of charge, but you must register to receive the alerts. Alert Denton replaces the previous Denton CodeRED alert program. Visit the City of Denton Office of Emergency Management webpage to learn more and/or to sign up:

<https://member.everbridge.net/1721427187204101/login>

The City of Dallas utilizes a mass notification system as well called DallasAlert, which is also free of charge for residents of Dallas. Visit the City of Dallas Office of Emergency Management website to learn more and/or to sign up: <https://dallascityhall.com/departments/officeemergencymanagement/Pages/Dallas-Alert.aspx>

The City of Houston utilizes a mass notification system called AlertHouston, which sends email messages in the event of an emergency issued by the City of Houston Office of Emergency Management for the Houston area. Harris County also has a GHC 911 Emergency Notification System (ENS) that sends SMS text messages and automated phone calls in the event of an emergency. To sign up for AlertHouston or ENS visit their website at: <https://www.houstonemergency.org/alerts/>

The State of Texas created the State of Texas Emergency Assistance Registry (STEAR) which allows a state resident to register for free if they have functional needs and need additional assistance during an emergency. The information provided will be available to local emergency responders so they can provide adequate assistance for the person during an emergency. To register free with STEAR, go to the online STEAR registry at: <https://tdem.texas.gov/stear/>

Provision of Information to the General Public

If a crisis occurs on University property, the Marketing and Communications department will be notified as soon as possible. As chief spokesperson for the university, Marketing & Communications will ultimately be responsible for the communications efforts that relate to the crisis. As such, Marketing & Communications will coordinate communications efforts as appropriate with the university and/or other governmental agencies that may be involved in the crisis event. Marketing & Communications will disseminate press releases, respond to media inquiries, produce radio and television announcements, maintain/update the university website, provide logistics and support for press conferences, and serve in supporting other forms of communications as needed. In case of an emergency, the Texas Woman's University main website will be updated with current information about the incident: <http://www.twu.edu>.

ACCESS TO CAMPUS BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

Non-residential campus buildings and facilities are accessible during normal business hours, excluding intersession periods and holidays. Faculty and staff are generally permitted after-hour access to the building that their office is located in. Students at the Denton campus can have "after-hours" access to certain facilities if they have a valid authorization signed by their academic department on file with the TWUPD office, or with approval from the ID Services department if they have been given swipe-card access. Students who are on the TWUPD approved "after-hours" list must show valid ID to be let into any academic building. The Dallas and Houston campuses do not allow after-hour access. After hours all exterior doors should remain locked. Doors should not be propped open at any time.

TWUPD personnel conduct walk-throughs and patrols of campus property. TWUPD prepares a security survey of the campus facilities on a monthly basis to determine security coverage and needs to address appropriate security concerns.

It is unlawful for any person to trespass on the grounds of any state institution of higher education of this state or to damage or deface any of the buildings, statues, monuments, memorials, trees, shrubs, grasses, or flowers on the grounds of any state institutions of higher education (Texas Education Code Section 51.204).

The governing board of a state institution of higher education or its authorized representatives may refuse to allow persons having no legitimate business to enter on property under the board's control, and may remove any person from the property on his or her refusal to leave peaceably on request. Identification may be required of any person on the property (Texas Education Code Section 51.09).

Access to Residence Halls

The exterior doors of Guinn Hall, Stark Hall, and Parliament Village are locked 24-hours a day. Residents of Guinn Hall, Stark Hall, or Parliament Village can swipe their TWU ID card to gain entry to the exterior doors to the building, then use their key to gain entry to their specific dorm room.

Lowry Wood residential apartments are gated and require residents to swipe their TWU ID card to gain entry to the apartment complex. Once inside the gate, residents have a key to open their specific apartment.

Lost TWU ID cards should be reported immediately to the Housing & Dining office or ID Services for deactivation. This will prevent anyone from using the lost card to gain access to the residence halls.

MAINTENANCE OF CAMPUS FACILITIES

Facilities personnel are responsible for maintaining the buildings, grounds, and providing custodial services for the Texas Woman's University campuses. The group addresses maintenance, renovation, and repair projects for facilities, custodial and landscaping. Faculty, staff, and students are encouraged to report maintenance problems.

TWUPD police officers/security officers closely monitor campus lighting and any security-related maintenance problems after hours and report their findings to the appropriate personnel for corrective action. If necessary, they will stand-by until the problem is corrected. The emergency red-phones and pole-phones are checked on a scheduled periodic basis by TWUPD personnel.

DRUGS AND ALCOHOL POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

The Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act (DFSCA) of 1989 requires institutions of higher education to establish policies that address unlawful possession, use, or distribution of alcohol and illicit drugs. The DFSCA also requires the establishment of a drug and alcohol prevention programs.

As an educational institution, Texas Woman's University is committed to the development of a healthy environment which stimulates intellectual and personal development in students and employees as well as assuring their physical well-being. TWUPD enforces all federal, state, and local laws including those which regulate the possession, use, and sale of alcoholic beverages. Use or possession of alcoholic beverages at TWU by an individual under the age of 21 is prohibited by Texas law.

TWUPD enforces federal, state, and local laws pertaining to the illegal possession, use, and sale of illicit drugs. Students and employees may not use, possess, sell, manufacture, or distribute illegal drugs, inhalants, or controlled substances (narcotics or dangerous drugs), be in possession of drug paraphernalia, or misuse any legal drug or other substance in or on university owned or controlled property.

Violators of drug or alcohol laws and campus policies are subject to University disciplinary action, criminal prosecution, fine and imprisonment. Full disclosure of campus policies involving drugs and alcohol can be found in the Student Handbook; if you would like to view an electronic copy of the Student Handbook you can do so by following this link: [Knowledge Base - Student Life Handbook \(twu.edu\)](https://twu.edu/knowledge-base/student-life/handbook)

Drugs and Alcohol Counseling/Treatment Resources & Preventative Programs

Fatal Vision Goggle Program

The TWUPD offers DWI prevention education through campus exhibits and demonstrations of its fatal vision goggles. These goggles simulate the different levels of visual and perceptual impairment which individuals who are under the influence of drugs or alcohol experience. If you would like more information on this program, contact the TWUPD Special Services Division at (940) 898-2921.

Alcohol Awareness Week

During National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, TWU Health Services puts on several programs that promote alcohol awareness and strategies to stay safe. Look for emails about Alcohol Awareness Week in October of every year.

Texas Woman's University Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) serves the TWU student community on the Denton, Dallas, and Houston campuses. It is CAPS mission to support an individual's success and personal growth in a warm and safe environment. CAPS can provide workshops and presentations to student groups and classes on a wide variety of topics including alcohol and drugs. If you would like more information on arranging a program, follow the instructions on the TWU Counseling and Psychological Services webpage:

<https://twu.edu/counseling/>

CAPS has a new 24/7 crisis line available. During normal business hours, the line will be answered by CAPS staff. After-hours, and during University closures, the line will be answered by ProtoCall, an organization with over a decade of experience supporting university communities with crisis intervention services. CAPS staff will have access to all student calls in order to provide additional support to students as needed. The crisis line is (940) 898-HELP (4357).

If you would like help with drug or alcohol abuse or any other issue, you can contact the TWU Counseling and Psychological Services Center at (940) 898-3801 (Denton campus), (214) 689-6655 (Dallas campus), or (713) 794-2018 (Houston campus).

Student Health Services

The TWU Student Health Services offers programs and treatment for drugs and alcohol. If you would like to request a program call the Health Promotion section at (940) 898-3833 or visit the Health Promotion website for more information: <https://twu.edu/health-promotion/>

If you would like information on treatment for drug or alcohol abuse call the Student Health Service's main phone number (940) 898-3826.

Dry Oasis

Dry Oasis is a platform that helps people build a support system and community for people who have stopped drinking alcohol. It gives sober individuals a safe community to connect with other like-minded individuals. Visit this link for more information about the platform: <https://www.mobileoasisapp.com/about>

The Employee Assistance Program

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is provided through TWU Human Resources Department to assist employees and their families with personal matters by referral to agencies, facilities, or individuals that may best be able to meet their needs. To contact an EAP coordinator, call (800) 343-3822.

Drug and Alcohol Penalties in Texas

Offense	Punishment
	*minimum penalty **maximum penalty
Manufacture of delivery of controlled substances (drugs)	*Jail term up to 2 years & a fine up to \$10,000 **Imprisonment for life & a fine up to \$250,000
Possession of controlled substances (drugs)	*Jail term not more than 180 days, a fine up to \$2,000, or both **Imprisonment for life & a fine up to \$250,000
Delivery of marijuana	*Jail term not more than 180 days, a fine up to \$2,000, or both **Imprisonment for life & a fine up to \$100,000
Possession of marijuana	*Jail term not more than 180 days, a fine up to \$2,000, or both **Imprisonment for life & a fine up to \$50,000
Driving while intoxicated (includes intoxication from alcohol, drugs, or both)	*Driver's license suspension of at least 60 days **Jail term not more than 180 days & fine up to \$2,000
Public intoxication	*A fine not to exceed \$500 Varies with age and number of offenses
Purchase of alcohol by a minor	*A fine not to exceed \$500 **At least 8 hours of community service, 30-day license suspension
Consumption or possession of alcohol by a minor	*A fine not to exceed \$500 *At least 8 hours of community service, 30-day license suspension, mandatory alcohol-awareness classes
Furnishing alcohol to a minor	*A fine not to exceed \$4,000 or confinement in jail for not more than one year, or both *Driver's license suspension for 180 days

*Punishments vary by number of offenses

WEAPONS & CAMPUS CARRY

Under Texas Penal Code 46.03 (Places Weapons Prohibited) entering any building on campus with a weapon (gun, illegal knife, or club) is a third-degree felony. Texas Senate Bill 1907 allows for the storage of a legally obtained firearm by concealed handgun license owners in private vehicles on campuses of institutions of higher education. Texas Legislators passed Senate Bill 11, which expands the areas on public university campuses where those with appropriate licenses are authorized to carry concealed handguns. Senate Bill 11 is more commonly known as the "Campus Carry" law. It is important to note that open-carrying of handguns is still not permitted on university campuses, Campus Carry only allows the carrying of concealed handguns with a license to carry.

Texas Woman's University is committed to providing a safe environment for students, faculty, staff, and visitors. Texas Woman's University respects the right of properly licensed individuals to carry concealed handguns where permitted by law. It is the policy of Texas Woman's University that individuals who are licensed to carry concealed handguns may do so on campus premises except in locations and at activities prohibited by law or by university policy. Texas Woman's University has outlined several areas on the various campuses where it is prohibited to carry concealed handguns; these areas are outlined in the TWU Regent Policy E.50510: Gun Free Zones (Campus Carry) Policy. Gun Free Zones are listed in the aforementioned policy and each gun free location has appropriate signage.

REPORTING SEXUAL ASSAULT, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, AND STALKING

Victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking should get to a place of safety immediately and should obtain necessary medical treatment at once. Victims should report the incident as soon as possible; time is a critical factor for evidence collection and preservation.

Victims should report incidents of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking occurring at the Denton campus by calling (940) 898-2911, or if you dial 911 the call will be transferred from the Denton police department dispatchers to TWUPD.

Sexual assaults, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking occurring at the Dallas or Houston campuses or off-campus should contact local authorities by calling 911. If an incident occurs on the Dallas or Houston TWU campuses, TWUPD will have primary jurisdiction to investigate the case, however, local authorities will be the first on scene.

TWU personnel will assist any victim in notifying local authorities and receiving the necessary medical treatments and tests, if the victim so requests. Filing a police report provides the opportunity for the collection of evidence and assures the victim access to confidential counseling. Reporting an incident of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking does not require prosecution of a crime, nor will it subject the victim to judgment or scrutiny. Texas Woman's University does not tolerate retaliation against persons reporting sexual assaults, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking.

Victims may also file a complaint with the TWU administration. The University's criminal and administrative procedures for filing a complaint are set out below and are intended to afford a prompt response to charges

of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, to maintain confidentiality and fairness consistent with applicable legal requirements, and to impose appropriate sanctions on violators.

Criminal Complaints

Persons wishing to file criminal complaints of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking will be directed (and, whenever possible, escorted) to TWUPD. The TWUPD Special Services Division is available to all victims to provide information about personal safety, Texas Crime Victims' Rights, Texas Crime Victims Compensation Fund, and other information upon request. To contact the Special Services Division call (940) 898-2929. If the offense did not happen on campus, TWUPD can assist the individual contact the proper authorities. It is the policy of TWUPD to conduct investigations of all sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking complaints with sensitivity, compassion, patience, and respect for the victim. Investigations are conducted in accordance with guidelines established by the Texas Penal Code, Code of Criminal Procedure and the Denton, Dallas, and Harris County District Attorney's Office. All formal complaints will be treated confidentially consistent with applicable legal requirements and customary law enforcement practices. Accusers will be informed promptly of available support services, as well as legal and administrative options, if reasonably available, such as protection from abuse orders through an appropriate court of law and changes to housing assignments and academic or work schedules.

Accusers will be informed about the outcome of any investigation undertaken by TWUPD or the university. In addition, the university will inform members of the university community of reported offenses (without using the name of the victim) if the offender poses a continued threat to the campus community.

Whether or not criminal charges are filed, the university or an individual may file a complaint under the Student Code of Conduct and/or the Sexual Misconduct Regulations and Procedures alleging that the individual violated the TWU Sexual Misconduct policy. In appropriate cases, reports made to TWUPD will automatically be referred to the Office of Student Life or Human Resources for possible disciplinary action.

The University recognizes that sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking may also be considered sexual harassment. A person alleging sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking may also utilize the complaint and investigatory procedures set forth in the university's Sexual Misconduct policy or Title IX policy in order to remedy any hostile environment. Sexual Harassment complaints will be investigated by the office of Human Resources in cooperation with the Title IX Coordinator.

Confidential Complaints

If a person reports to a university administrator, department head, or faculty member that she or he has been a victim of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, the Title IX Coordinator will be forwarded the report. If the person wishes for their report to remain confidential, they may instead contact the TWU Counseling and Psychological Services and/or the Student Health Services department.

When a complainant does not consent to the disclosure of his or her name or other identifiable information to the alleged perpetrator, the university's ability to respond to the complaint may be limited.

Confidentiality

When TWU receives a report of sexual misconduct, but the complainant requests that his or her identity remain confidential or that the University not pursue an investigation, the University must balance this request with its responsibility to provide a safe and non-discriminatory environment for all members of the TWU community.

Investigative Procedures in Cases of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking

Complaints will lead to the initiation of the procedures set forth in the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX policies. The university investigative process will be prompt, fair, and conducted by properly trained and impartial investigators. The University uses the preponderance of evidence standard for investigating complaints.

The Sexual Misconduct Regulation and Procedures Guide provides that:

- The complainant and the responding party each have the opportunity to be heard, present evidence, and identify witnesses to the Title IX Coordinator or investigators;
- The complainant and the responding party each have the opportunity to be advised by an advisor of their choice, at any stage of the process and to be accompanied by that advisor at any meeting or proceeding. An advisor may only consult and advise his or her advisee, but not speak for the advisee at any meeting or proceeding;
- The complainant and the responding party will be notified simultaneously in writing of any university disciplinary actions taken against the accused as well as any changes to those disciplinary actions; and
- The complainant and the responding party each have the right to appeal the outcome of the investigation and/or sanction, and will be notified simultaneously in writing of the final outcome after the appeal is resolved.

Texas Woman's University is aware of the sensitive nature of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking complaints and can make accommodations to address a complainant's need for separation from the responding party, while also balancing the rights of the responding party. University sanctions vary depending on the nature of the complaint; possible sanctions include verbal warnings, written warnings, probation, suspension, educational sanctions, counseling, leave with or without pay (for employees), dismissal (for students), and termination (for employees). Sexual assault, domestic or dating violence, and/or stalking are criminal acts which also subjects the perpetrator to criminal and civil penalties under federal and state law.

ASSISTANCE FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, OR STALKING VICTIMS

To the extent of the victim's cooperation and consent, university offices, including TWUPD, TWU Counseling and Psychological Services, the Office of Student Life, and Student Health Services will work cooperatively to ensure that the complainant's health, physical safety, and academic status are protected, pending the outcome of a formal university investigation of the complaint. For example, if reasonably available, a complainant may be offered changes to academic, work, or living situations in addition to counseling, health services, and assistance in notifying appropriate local law enforcement.

Counseling services are available at the TWU Counseling and Psychological Services department by calling (940) 898-3801 (Denton campus), (214) 689-6655 (Dallas campus), or (713) 794-2018 (Houston campus).

Upon the request of a student victim of an alleged sex offense, stalking offense, or dating and domestic violence, the Office of Student Life will assist the victim with issues including, but not limited to, class schedule changes, withdrawal procedures, or campus housing relocation if desired and available.

Campus Programs for Sexual Assault, Sexual Harassment, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, and Stalking Prevention & Support

SHARP Course

In an effort to provide valuable education and training regarding sexual assault prevention, TWUPD offers the Sexual Harassment, Assault & Rape Prevention (SHARP) course to the TWU community. This course focuses on helping people manage and cope with issues in a crisis that can be controlled instead of merely providing them with statistical information that will be of no benefit to them in an urgent situation. The basic course is modular in nature and designed to be delivered in three separate units. These units are prevention psychology, managing social or professional physical harassment and assault countermeasures including defense strategies and techniques. The SHARP course can be taught in individual units or as one continuous seminar or course. For more information about SHARP and how to schedule the course, please contact TWUPD at (940) 898-2911.

Get Inclusive Program

The Get Inclusive Program is an online educational program that all incoming Texas Woman's University students must complete. Through interactive course content and a format that blends realistic college scenarios with useful educational content, the program teaches college students risk reduction in the areas of consent, sexual violence prevention, and healthy relationships. TWU is excited to provide this information to students so that they can make the best personal decisions regarding their personal health and safety. Students will receive an email with a link to the program website to complete the program. For more information about this program contact the Office of Civility and Community Standards at (940) 898-2939 or email civility@twu.edu.

Peer Advocates Teaching Health (PATH) Program

PATH (Peer Advocates Teaching Health) is the only certified peer education group on the TWU campus. PATH educators develop communication, research, and teamwork skills as they engage their fellow TWU Pioneers in a variety of health and wellbeing activities to create a healthier campus. You can find PATH members on campus educating about sexual health, healthy relationships, drugs and alcohol, impaired driving, bystander

intervention, nutrition, and stress management. To find out more information about upcoming events, request information about scheduling a presentation for your group, or if you have questions about membership, email PATH at healthpromotion@twu.edu

Other Programs and Events Hosted by Student Health Services Health Promotion

In addition to the previously mentioned programs, Student Health Services offers a variety of other programs and events including stalking awareness events in January, sexual responsibility week in February, sexual assault awareness events in April, domestic violence awareness events in October, and a variety of other programs with topics in violence prevention, safe spring break, and healthy relationships. If you would like to participate in any of the programs or events, or would like more information, contact TWU Student Health Services Health Promotion at (940) 898-3833 or email healthpromotion@twu.edu

Off-Campus Resources

Denton County Friends of the Family

Denton County Friends of the Family is dedicated to providing compassionate, comprehensive services to those impacted by rape, sexual abuse, and domestic/dating violence, while partnering with our community to promote safety, healing, and prevention. They offer an emergency shelter, advocacy services, counseling services, child and adolescent counseling, and violence intervention and prevention information. If you would like to contact them, you can call the 24-hour crisis line at (800) 572-4031 or (940) 382-7273.

The Family Place (Dallas)

The Family Place empowers victims of family violence by providing safe housing, counseling, and skills that create independence while building community engagement and advocating for social change to stop family violence. The Family Place is located in Dallas and offers programs that address emotional and physical abuse and incest and provides free comprehensive services that prevent violence and fully support women, children, and men on their path to safety. If you would like to contact The Family Place you can call the 24-hour crisis line at (214) 954-1991.

Genesis Women's Shelter (Dallas)

The Dallas based Genesis Women's Shelter offers shelter, safety, counseling, and expert services to battered women and their children located in Dallas. Some of their services include domestic violence education, play therapy for children, transitional housing, parenting classes, daycare, and job readiness classes. If you would like to contact the Genesis Women's Shelter, you can call the 24-hour crisis line at (214) 946-4357.

Houston Area Women's Center

The Houston Area Women's Center helps individuals affected by domestic and sexual violence in their efforts to move their lives forward. They provide shelter, counseling, and advocacy for victims of domestic and sexual violence as well as community awareness and education to end the violence. If you would like to contact the 24-hour Domestic Violence hotline call (713) 528-2121; if you would like to contact the 24-hour Sexual Assault Hotline call (713) 528-7273.

LGBTQ General Resources

TWU Resources

TWU has a list of LGBTQIA resources and information online. Visit the following website for information: <https://twu.edu/cbfgs/lgbtqia-resources/>

Resource Center (Dallas)

Resource Center is a trusted leader that empowers the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer/questioning, intersex, asexual, plus (LGBTQIA+) communities by improving health and wellness, strengthening families and communities, and providing transformative education and advocacy. To contact the Resource Center, call (214) 540-4492 or visit their website for more information: www.myresourcecenter.org

The Montrose Center (Houston)

The Montrose Center empowers the community, primarily lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals and their families, to enjoy healthier and more fulfilling lives. To contact the Montrose Center, call (713) 529-0037 or visit their website for more information: <https://www.montrosecenter.org/services/>

Dallas Area Rape Crisis Center (DARCC)

DARCC's comprehensive program includes counseling, crisis intervention and advocacy for those whose lives have been affected by sexual violence. DARCC serves all members of the community including LGBTQ+. To contact DARCC, call the 24-hour hotline (972) 641-7273.

PFLAG (Denton)

PFLAG envisions a world where diversity is celebrated and all people are respected, valued, and affirmed inclusive of their sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. The mission of PFLAG is to support families, allies, and people who are LGBTQ+. For more information, refer to the PFLAG website: <https://www.pflag.org/about>

SIGNS OF AN ABUSIVE RELATIONSHIP

There are many signs of an abusive relationship. The most telling sign is fear of your partner. If you feel like you have to walk on eggshells around your partner, constantly watching what you say and do in order to avoid a blow-up, chances are your relationship is unhealthy and abusive. Other signs that you may be in an abusive relationship include a partner who belittles you or tries to control you, and feelings of self-loathing, helplessness, and desperation.

To determine whether your relationship is abusive, answer the questions below. The more “yes” answers, the more likely it is that you are in an abusive relationship.

SIGNS THAT YOU'RE IN AN ABUSIVE RELATIONSHIP	
Your Inner Thoughts and Feelings	Your Partner's Belittling Behavior
Do you:	Does your partner:
Feel afraid of your partner much of the time?	Humiliate or yell at you?
Avoid certain topics out of fear of angering your partner?	Criticize you and put you down?
Feel that you can't do anything right for your partner?	Treat you so badly that you're embarrassed for your friends or family to see?
Believe that you deserve to be hurt or mistreated?	Ignore or put down your opinions or accomplishments?
Wonder if you're the one who is crazy?	Blame you for their abusive behavior?
Feel emotionally numb or helpless?	See you as property or a sex object, rather than as a person?
Your Partner's Violent Behavior or Threats	Your Partner's Controlling Behavior
Does your partner:	Does your partner:
Have a bad and unpredictable temper?	Act excessively jealous and possessive?
Hurt you, or threaten to hurt or kill you?	Control where you go or what you do?
Threaten to take your children away or harm them?	Keep you from seeing your friends or family?
Threaten to commit suicide if you leave?	Limit your access to money or your phone?

RECOGNIZING SIGNS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND ABUSE IN OTHERS

It is impossible to know with certainty what goes on behind closed doors, but there are some telltale signs and symptoms of emotional abuse and domestic violence. If you witness any warning signs of abuse in a friend, family member, or co-worker, take them very seriously.

General warning signs of domestic abuse

People who are being abused may:

- Seem afraid or anxious to please their partner
- Go along with everything their partner says and does
- Check in often with their partner to report where they are and what they are doing
- Receive frequent, harassing phone calls from their partner
- Talk about their partner's temper, jealousy, or possessiveness

Warning signs of physical violence

People who are being physically abused may:

- Have frequent injuries, with the excuse of "accidents"
- Frequently miss work, school, or social occasions, without explanation
- Dress in clothing designed to hide bruises or scars (e.g. wearing long sleeves in the summer or sunglasses indoors)

Warning signs of isolation

People who are being isolated by their abuser may:

- Be restricted from seeing family and friends
- Rarely go out in public without their partner
- Have limited access to money, credit cards, or the car

The psychological warning signs of abuse

People who are being abused may:

- Have very low self-esteem, even if they used to be confident
- Show major personality changes (e.g. an outgoing person becomes withdrawn)
- Be depressed, anxious, or suicidal

HOW TO BE AN ACTIVE BYSTANDER

Bystanders play a critical role in the prevention of sexual and relationship violence. Active Bystanders are individuals who observe or witness the conditions that perpetuate sexual assault or violence. They are not directly involved but have the choice to intervene, speak up, or do something about it. Texas Woman's University wishes to promote a culture of community accountability where bystanders are actively engaged in the prevention of sexual assault or other violence without causing further harm. If you or someone else is in immediate danger, dial 911 or (940) 898-2911. This could be when a person is yelling at or being physically abusive towards another, and it is not safe for you to interrupt. Below is a list of some ways to be an active bystander.



- Watch out for your friends and fellow students/employees. If you see someone who looks like they could be in trouble or need help, ask if they are ok.
- Confront people who seclude, hit on, or attempt to have sex with people who are incapacitated.
- Speak up when someone discusses plans to take advantage of another person.
- Believe someone who discloses sexual assault, abusive behavior, or experience with stalking.
- Refer people to on or off-campus resources listed in this document for support in health, counseling, or with legal assistance.

SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY

The Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act is a federal law enacted on October 28, 2000, that provides for the tracking of convicted, registered sex offenders enrolled as students at institutions of higher education, employed, or volunteering on campus. This act amends the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to clarify that nothing in that Act may be construed to prohibit an educational institution from disclosing information provided to the institution concerning registered sex offenders and requires the Secretary of Education to take appropriate steps to notify educational institutions that disclosure of this information is permitted.

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is the official Texas internet source for Sex Offender Registration information. The Sex Offender Registration open record information is extracted from the DPS Sex Offender Registration Database. The DPS maintains files based on registration information submitted by criminal justice agencies and represents a statewide source of information on sex offenders required by law to register. The DPS public webpage can be found at:

https://www.dps.texas.gov/administration/crime_records/pages/sexoffender.htm

THEFT PREVENTION

It is important for everyone to understand their role in the reduction of crime. For any crime to occur, three elements must be present: desire, ability, and opportunity. The university community's greatest strength in the prevention of crime is the initiative to reduce or eliminate the opportunity for a crime to occur.

Protect Your Property

- By being more aware and observant during your daily activities. If you feel the actions of a person appear suspicious, take the time to notify the police. We would much rather receive the call and determine later there was no problem, than to not be informed when a crime is being committed.
- Record the make, model, and the serial number of your property. Also, engrave your driver's license number with the prefix from the state of issuance. Once you have gathered this information, secure it in a safe place so that if you are victimized, this information can be entered into the state and national database of stolen property.
- By closing and locking your door when you leave your residence hall room or office.
- By not leaving your property (backpacks, textbooks, purses etc.) unattended and unsecured in the hallway while attending class or other activity.
- By not leaving property unsecured in your office or cubicle. Secure your valuables in a locked desk or cabinet while out of the office.
- By promptly reporting the presence of strangers in buildings and residence halls. Do not disable or prop open card reader doors or allow strangers to follow you into buildings and residence halls.
- By not leaving your property unattended and unsecured in dining facilities or in one of the libraries.
- By not leaving your property unattended beside the court or along the sidelines during your participation in activities in a recreational facility or on a sports field.
- By promptly reporting and canceling your lost or stolen credit cards and debit cards to prevent unauthorized use.
- By not leaving your laptop computers or other computer hand-held devices unattended or unsecured.

Bicycles are a popular mode of transportation in the campus environment and you will find that bicycles are a prime target of the opportunistic thief. Always lock the whole bicycle to the bicycle rack; making sure it is secured in a manner to protect the removal of the frame or tires. You should report suspicious activity near or within the bicycle racks. Keep a record of the make, model, and serial number of your bicycle.

These are examples of activities that have helped deter the opportunistic thief from taking advantage of you. TWUPD strongly believes the sharing of this information can help in the prevention and reduction of crime.

SMOKE-FREE CAMPUS POLICY

Texas Woman's University has a vital interest in maintaining a healthy and safe environment for its students, faculty, staff, and visitors while respecting individual choice. Consistent with these concerns, a policy has been established to create a tobacco-free campus. In accordance with the TWU Regent Policy B.20070: Tobacco-Free and Smoke-Free University Policy, smoking cigarettes and the use of any other tobacco product is prohibited indoors and outdoors on all properties owned and/or operated by TWU.

FIRE SAFETY POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND STATISTICS FOR RESIDENCE HALLS & RESIDENCE APARTMENTS

The Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008 requires that all academic institutions provide an annual fire safety report outlining fire safety practices, standards, and fire incident statistics. The following information relates to all on-campus residences of the Texas Woman's University. Specific fire-related university policies can be reviewed on the Housing & Dining: <http://www.twu.edu/housing> or the Risk Management website: <https://twu.edu/health-safety/fire-safety/>

Fire Safety Equipment and Fire Safety Training Overview

Residence Halls are equipped with portable fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, integrated automatic sprinkler and visual/audible fire alarm systems. These systems are monitored by a third-party monitoring contractor around the clock. Residence Halls are equipped with emergency generators that are designed to automatically activate whenever there is a power loss. These generators will operate certain life safety equipment in the buildings. Life safety equipment not powered by emergency generators is wired separately from the building electrical system to reduce the likelihood of power loss. High-rise (Stark and Guinn) residence hall fire alarms operate with a "floor above, floor below" activation strategy in accordance with the fire code for high-rise buildings. That is, the floor where the potential emergency exists and the floor above and below it will go into alarm initially, but the rest of the building will not given the way high-rises are built to contain fires and to limit unnecessarily evacuating people from high floors in false alarms or contained emergencies. Should the scale of the emergency increase, then first responders will expand the evacuation to additional floors or the entire building, depending on the situation.

Residence apartments are equipped with smoke detectors, sprinkler systems, and portable fire extinguishers which are located inside the apartment or outside of the apartments in plain sight.

All residence hall staff receive fire safety training at the beginning of each academic year, and present fire safety programming to residents. Fire drills are conducted each semester by TWU University

Housing & Dining and fire drills are monitored by TWUPD and Risk Management. Basic fire safety information is offered to all new employees.

Fire Safety Information for Current On-Campus Student Housing

Property	Location	Fire Alarm Monitoring On Site	Smoke Detection	Full Sprinkler System	Fire Extinguisher Devices	Fire Drills Per Semester	Evacuation Plans & Placards
Nelda C. Stark Hall	1719 Bell Ave	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1	Yes
John A. Guinn Hall	420 E. University Dr.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1	Yes
Sayers Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1	No
Smith Carroll Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1	No
Fitzgerald Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1	No
Reagan Houston Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1	No
Capps Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1	No
Austin Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1	No
Mary Hufford Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1	No
North Hall	705 Administration Dr.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1	Yes
South Hall	701 Administration Dr.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1	Yes
Mary's Hall	703 Administration Dr.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1	Yes

Fire Log

TWUPD maintains a Fire Log which includes all fires that have occurred in on-campus housing facilities. The Fire Log is available to the public upon request, during normal business hours at the Denton campus Police Department office, or by emailing cleryactwu@twu.edu.

Fire Safety Policies and Procedures for Campus Residence Halls & Residence Apartments

Living in a community calls upon all of its members to ensure that the community is safe. Fire safety is particularly important because it affects the entire community. Your cooperation in following good fire and life safety practices will ensure that all residents have a safe and comfortable living environment. Windows, hallways, and doors should not be obstructed, automatic door closures should not be deactivated, and doors should not be propped open. Each of these items is part of the planning process to retain fire and allow you to escape as quickly as possible.

The following are prohibited:

- Smoking in all areas of the building including breezeways
- Open flames, candles (wick or wickless) and incense
- Unapproved electrical appliances, including but not limited to: open-coiled appliances, space heaters, sun lamps, & halogen lamps
- Live holiday trees and greenery
- Extension cords

Residents must avoid the following:

- Outlet overloads and improper use of surge protectors
- Obstruction of the room smoke detector and sprinkler head
- Keeping combustible materials around an electrical source
- Propping room and stairwell doors, or de-activating room door closures
- Wrapping room doors partially or fully, i.e. with paper or cloth

Residents are responsible for the following:

- Maintaining cleanliness of their room or space
- Keeping doors, exits and vents unblocked and free of obstructions
- Reporting health and safety issues to the Resident Assistant or hall front desk
- Reporting fire equipment that is not functioning properly or shows signs of tampering should be reported to front desk or RA immediately

In the event of a Fire

- Exit the building. Call TWUPD and immediately notify the University Housing & Dining staff and other residents of the building, or floor, of the location of the fire by pulling the nearest pull station (if available) on your way out of the building.
- When an alarm is sounded, all residents must leave the building IMMEDIATELY. Try the nearest exit. If the door, or door handle, is hot, do not open; if the only exit available to you is unsafe, remain in your living unit, keeping doors tightly closed and go to the window to await rescue by the fire department.
- In high-rise residence halls (Stark and Guinn), the alarm will only sound on the floor the emergency exists, as well as the floor above and below. You must evacuate, but know that as you travel down the stairs you may no longer hear the alarm. You should still continue to evacuate, call TWUPD, and notify the University Housing & Dining staff of the situation.

Do NOT put water on a grease fire! Use the nearest fire extinguisher.

Fire Alarms

Residents are expected to evacuate the building immediately for a fire alarm, or when directed to do so. Failure to promptly obey the direction of a University Housing & Dining staff or other civil official during an emergency will be referred to the Student Conduct Review Process and could be subject to fines or disciplinary action.

When an individual smoke detector is activated in the residence halls, staff and/or TWUPD will enter all rooms in the indicated area to determine the cause of the alarm.

Tampering with, or disabling, any of the fire safety equipment is prohibited! Residents responsible for destructive use of an extinguisher will be charged the cost of recharging, or replacing, equipment and will be referred to the Student Conduct Review Process.

Fire and Life Safety Inspections

University Housing & Dining staff will conduct Health and Safety inspections on all campus residence halls and apartments. The inspections will be conducted during the school year. The intent of the inspections is to increase the level of safety and safety awareness for all occupants. Safety practices in general and the items noted below will be the primary focus of the inspections.

Violations found during inspections will result in fines and disciplinary actions.

Examples of violations and fines are as follows:

- **Candles** - \$50.00 fine per candle. Decorative candles, with or without wicks, are prohibited.
- **Poor Housekeeping or Excessive Combustible Items** - \$50.00 initial fine, with a daily charge of \$50.00 until the violation is corrected.
- **Tampering with Fire Equipment** – A minimum fine of \$50.00 will be charged, but could be higher depending upon the incident.

The following areas will be reviewed during Health and Safety inspections. Please remember that a minimum fine of \$50.00 will be implemented for each violation.

Electrical:

- Use of extension cord(s)
- Cover plates missing / damaged
- Electrical wiring frayed / damaged
- Overloaded outlets
- String Lights - non-LED lights
- Unapproved electrical appliance(s)

Fire Safety Equipment:

- Obstructed room smoke detector
- Obstructed sprinkler head
- Obstructed fire extinguisher
- Room smoke detector damaged
- Room sprinkler head damaged
- Damaged fire extinguisher

Housekeeping:

- Poor housekeeping
- Floor/wall/ceiling penetrations or holes
- Missing/Damaged door closure
- Gift-wrapped door
- Live/cut trees
- Access to outlets without the need of extension cord(s)

Ignition Sources:

- Candles/Incense present
- Flammable liquids present
- Combustible materials around electrical source
- Excessive fire load
- Halogen lamps

Emergency Planning:

- Building Evacuation and Exit Plan
- Windows/doors obstructed
- De-activated door closures
- Hallway obstructions
- Doors propped open

Practicing good fire and life safety benefits everyone. The University encourages students to learn about fire safety in their residence halls by attending fire safety programs, which include instructions on safety routes to be followed during an evacuation, how to determine when it is safe to exit a room when there is fire and/or smoke outside, and how to evacuate persons with physical disabilities.

Reporting a Fire “After the Fact” for Statistical Purposes

Texas Woman's University is required under federal law to annually disclose statistical data on all fires that occur in on-campus student housing facilities or cases of arson located anywhere on campus. To report a fire that has already been extinguished please call TWUPD at (940) 898-2911.

Plans for Future Improvement

There is ongoing repair work on fire doors and walls across campus. The Fine Arts building will be getting a new fire alarm panel.

FIRE STATISTICS FOR STUDENT HOUSING

2022

Property	Address	# of Fires 2022	Date	Cause	Injuries	Deaths	Value of Property Damage
Nelda C. Stark Hall	1719 Bell Ave Denton, TX 76204	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
John A. Guinn Hall	420 E. University Dr. Denton, TX 76204	1	8/23/22	Electrical – HVAC fan caused sparks, glowing, and smoke	0	0	\$99-\$500
Sayers Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Smith Carroll Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fitzgerald Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Reagan Houston Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Capps Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Austin Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mary Hufford Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
North Hall	705 Administration Dr. Denton, TX 76204	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
South Hall	701 Administration Dr. Denton, TX 76204	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mary's Hall	703 Administration Dr. Denton, TX 76204	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

FIRE STATISTICS FOR STUDENT HOUSING

2021

Property	Address	# of Fires 2021	Date	Cause	Injuries	Deaths	Value of Property Damage
Nelda C. Stark Hall	1719 Bell Ave Denton, TX 76204	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
John A. Guinn Hall	420 E. University Dr. Denton, TX 76204	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sayers Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Smith Carroll Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fitzgerald Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Reagan Houston Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Capps Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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North Hall	705 Administration Dr. Denton, TX 76204	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
South Hall	701 Administration Dr. Denton, TX 76204	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mary's Hall	703 Administration Dr. Denton, TX 76204	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

FIRE STATISTICS FOR STUDENT HOUSING

2020

Property	Address	# of Fires 2020	Date	Cause	Injuries	Deaths	Value of Property Damage
Nelda C. Stark Hall	1719 Bell Ave Denton, TX 76204	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
John A. Guinn Hall	420 E. University Dr. Denton, TX 76204	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sayers Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Smith Carroll Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fitzgerald Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Reagan Houston Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Capps Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Austin Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mary Hufford Hall	1604 Lowry Woods Ln. Denton, TX 76209	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
North Hall	705 Administration Dr. Denton, TX 76204	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
South Hall	701 Administration Dr. Denton, TX 76204	1	2/6/2020	Unintentional burning of a foil food wrapper in a microwave	0	0	\$0-\$99
Mary's Hall	703 Administration Dr. Denton, TX 76204	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

DEFINITIONS

Aggravated Assault: An unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault is usually accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm. (Definition from the Federal UCR program)

Arson: Any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc. (Definition from the Federal UCR program)

Burglary: The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft. For reporting purposes this definition includes: unlawful entry with intent to commit a larceny or felony; breaking and entering with intent to commit a larceny; housebreaking; safecracking; and all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned. (Definition from the Federal UCR program)

Consent (in regards to sexual activity): Consent means a voluntary, mutually understandable agreement that clearly indicates a willingness to engage in each instance of sexual activity. Consent to one act does not imply consent to another. Past consent does not imply future consent. Consent to engage in sexual activity with one person does not imply consent to engage in sexual activity with another. Consent can be withdrawn at any time. Any expression of an unwillingness to engage in any instance of sexual activity establishes a presumptive lack of consent.

a. Consent is not effective if it results from: the use of physical force, a threat of physical force, intimidation, coercion, incapacitation, or any other factor that would eliminate an individual's ability to exercise their own free will to choose whether or not to engage in sexual activity.

b. An individual's manner of dress or the existence of a current or previous dating or sexual relationship between two or more individuals does not, in and of itself, constitute consent to engage in a particular sexual activity. Even in the context of a relationship, there must be a voluntary, mutually understandable agreement that clearly indicates a willingness to engage in each instance of sexual activity.

Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property: To willfully or maliciously destroy, damage, deface, or otherwise injure real or personal property without the consent of the owner or the person having custody or control of it.

Drug Abuse Violations: The violation of laws prohibiting the production, distribution, and/or use of certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices utilized in their preparation and/or use. The unlawful cultivation, manufacture, distribution, sale, purchase, use, possession, transportation, or importation of any controlled drug or narcotic substance. Arrest for violations of state and local laws, specifically those relating to the unlawful possession, sale, use, growing, manufacturing, and making of narcotic drugs.

Hate Crimes: Any occurrence of murder, sex offenses, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, arson, larceny-theft, simple assault, intimidation, and destruction, damage, or vandalism of property and other crimes involving bodily injury to any person, in which the victim is intentionally selected because of the actual or perceived race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity, or disability of the victim.

Intimidation: To unlawfully place another person in reasonable fear of bodily harm through the use of threatening words and/or other conduct, but without displaying a weapon or subjecting the victim to actual physical attack.

Larceny-Theft (Except Motor Vehicle Theft): The unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another. Attempted larcenies are included. Embezzlement, confidence games, forgery, worthless checks, etc., are excluded.

Liquor Law Violations: The violation of state or local laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, or use of alcoholic beverages, not including driving under the influence and drunkenness.

Motor Vehicle Theft: Theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle.

Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter: The willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

Negligent Manslaughter: The killing of another person through gross negligence.

Robbery: The taking, or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear.

Sexual Assault with an Object: To use an object or instrument to unlawfully penetrate, however slightly, the genital or anal opening of the body of another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

Simple Assault: An unlawful physical attack by one person upon another where neither the offender displays a weapon, nor the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness.

Sodomy: Oral or anal sexual intercourse with another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

Without Consent: in regards to sexual assault is defined in Texas Penal Code as: (1) the actor compels the other person to submit by the use of violence; (2) the actor compels the other person to submit by threatening to use violence against the victim or against any other person; (3) the other person has not consented and the actor knows the other person is unconscious or physically unable to resist; (4) the actor knows that as a result of mental disease the other person is at the time of the sexual assault incapable of appraising the nature of the act; (5) the other person has not consented and the actor knows the other person is unaware that the sexual assault is occurring; (6) the actor has intentionally impaired the other person's power to appraise the victim's conduct by administering any substance without the victim's knowledge. (Texas Penal Code Sec. 22.011)

Weapons (Carrying, Possessing, etc.): The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, concealment, or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices, or other deadly weapons.

FEDERAL DEFINITIONS & TERMS – FROM THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT

Dating Violence: Violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim:

- The existence of such a relationship shall be based on the reporting party's statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.
- For the purposes of this definition: Dating Violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse.
- Dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence.

Domestic Violence: A Felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed:

- By a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim
- By a person with whom the victim shares a child in common;
- By a person who is cohabitating with, or has cohabitated with, the victim as a spouse or intimate partner;
- By a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred;
- By any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.

Stalking: Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to:

- Fear for the person's safety or the safety of others;
- Suffer substantial emotional distress.
- For the purposes of this definition: Course of conduct means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts which the stalker directly, indirectly, or through third parties, by any action, method, device, or means follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about, a person, or interferes with a person's property.
- Reasonable person means a reasonable person under similar circumstances and with similar identities to the victim.
- Substantial emotional distress means significant mental suffering or anguish that may, but does not necessarily, require medical or other professional treatment or counseling.

Sexual Assault: An offense that meets the definition of rape, fondling, incest, or statutory rape as used in the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program. Per the National Incident-Based Reporting System User Manual from the FBI UCR Program, a sex offense is "any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent."

Sex Offense: Any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent.

- **Rape:** The penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim.

- **Fondling:** The touching of the private parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.
- **Incest:** Sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.
- **Statutory Rape:** Sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

Programs to prevent dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking: Comprehensive, intentional, integrated programming, initiatives, strategies, and campaigns intended to end dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking that:

- Are culturally relevant, inclusive of diverse communities and identities, sustainable, responsive to community needs, and are informed by research or assessed for value, effectiveness, or outcome, and
- Consider environmental risk and protective factors as they occur on the individual, relationship, institutional, community, and societal levels.
- Programs to prevent dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking include both primary prevention and awareness programs directed at incoming students and new employees and ongoing prevention and awareness campaigns directed at student and employees.

Awareness Programs: Community-wide or audience specific programming, initiatives, and strategies that increase audience knowledge and share information and resources to prevent violence, promote safety, and reduce perpetration.

Bystander Intervention: Safe and positive options that may be carried out by an individual or individuals to prevent harm or intervene when there is a risk of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Bystander intervention includes:

- Recognizing situations of potential harm
- Understanding institutional structures and cultural conditions that facilitate violence, overcoming barriers to intervening, identifying safe and effective intervention options, and taking actions to intervene.

Ongoing Prevention and Awareness Campaigns: Programming, initiatives, and strategies that are sustained over time and focus on increasing understanding of topics relevant to and skills for addressing dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking, using a range of strategies with audiences throughout the institution.

Primary Prevention Programs: Programming initiatives and strategies informed by research or assess for value, effectiveness, or outcome that are intended to stop dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking before they occur through the promotion of positive and healthy behaviors that foster healthy, mutually respectful relationships and sexuality, encourage safe bystander intervention, and seek to change behavior and social norms in healthy and safe direction.

Risk Reduction: Options designed to decrease perpetration and bystander inaction, and to increase empowerment for victims in order to promote safety and to help individuals and communities address conditions that facilitate violence.

Prompt, Fair, and Impartial Disciplinary Proceeding: A proceeding that is completed within reasonably prompt timeframes designated by an institution's policy, including a process that allows for the extension of timeframes for good cause and with written notice to the accuser and the accused of the delay and the reason for delay; Conducted in a manner that:

- Is consistent with the institution's policies and transparent to the accuser and accused;
- Includes timely notice of meetings at which the accuser or accused, or both, may be present; and
- Provides timely and equal access to the accuser, the accused, and appropriate officials to any information that will be used during informal and formal disciplinary meetings and hearings; and
- Conducted by officials who do not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against the accuser or the accused

Advisor: Any individual who provides the accuser or accused support, guidance, or advice.

Proceeding: All activities related to a non-criminal resolution of an institutional disciplinary complaint, including, but not limited to, fact finding investigations, formal or informal meetings, and hearings. Proceeding does not include communications and meetings between officials and victims concerning accommodations or protective measures to be provided to a victim.

Result: Any initial, interim, and final decision by any official or entity authorized to resolve disciplinary matters within the institution. The result must include any sanctions imposed by the institution.

Unfounded Crimes: An institution may withhold, or subsequently remove, a reported crime from its crime statistics in the rare situations where sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel have fully investigated the reported crime and, based on the result of this full investigation and evidence, have made a formal determination that the crime report is false or baseless and therefore "unfounded". Only sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel may "unfound" a crime report for purposes of reporting under the section. The recovery of stolen property, the low value of stolen property, the refusal of the victim to cooperate with the prosecution, and the failure to make an arrest do not "unfound" a crime report.

DEFINITIONS OF CLERY REPORTABLE LOCATIONS

On-Campus: Any building or property owned or controlled by an institution within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area and used by the institution in direct support of, or in a manner related to, the institution's educational purposes, including residence halls. This also includes any building or property that is within or reasonably contiguous to the geographic area that is owned by the institution but controlled by another person, is frequently used by students, and supports institutional purposes (such as a food or other retail vendor).

On-Campus Student Housing Facility: Any student housing facility that is owned or controlled by the institution, or is located on property that is owned or controlled by the institution, and is within the reasonably contiguous geographic area that makes up the campus is considered an on-campus student housing facility. This is considered a subset of the On-Campus category.

Non-Campus: Any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by the institution; or any building or property owned or controlled by an institution that is used in direct support of, or in relation to, the institution's educational purposes, is frequently used by students, and is not within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution.

Public Property: All public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, that is within the campus, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.

CAMPUS COMMUNITY CRIME STATISTICS

Denton Campus

DENTON Offenses	2022				2021				2020			
	On-Campus Total	TWU Student Housing	Public Property	Non-Campus	On-Campus Total	TWU Student Housing	Public Property	Non-Campus	On-Campus Total	TWU Student Housing	Public Property	Non-Campus
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic Violence	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	9	6	0	0	5	4	0	0	1	1	0	0
Stalking	7	3	0	0	4	3	0	0	3	3	0	0
Arrests												
Weapons	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drugs	10	0	5	0	5	1	1	0	3	0	1	0
Alcohol	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	7	7	0	0
Referrals												
Weapons	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drugs	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Alcohol	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

*The On-Campus Total **includes** the crime statistics that occurred in TWU Student Housing residence halls, dorms, or apartments.

There were no unfounded Clery Act reportable cases for 2020 or 2021. There were two unfounded stalking statistics and one unfounded motor vehicle theft for 2022.

There were no hate crimes reported in 2020, 2021, or 2022 at the Denton campus. Hate crime bias categories include: race, gender, gender identity, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity, national origin, and disability.

CAMPUS COMMUNITY CRIME STATISTICS

Dallas Campus

DALLAS Offenses	2022				2021				2020			
	On-Campus Total	TWU Student Housing*	Public Property	Non-Campus	On-Campus Total	TWU Student Housing*	Public Property	Non-Campus	On-Campus Total	TWU Student Housing*	Public Property	Non-Campus
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Rape	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Fondling	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Incest	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Robbery	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Burglary	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	N/A	0	0	1	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Arson	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Domestic Violence	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Dating Violence	0	N/A	0	0	1	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Stalking	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	1	N/A	0	0
Arrests												
Weapons	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Drugs	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Alcohol	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Referrals												
Weapons	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Drugs	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Alcohol	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0

* The Dallas campus does not have any student housing facilities.

No Clery Act reportable crimes were unfounded in 2020, 2021, or 2022 at the Dallas campus.

No hate crimes were reported for 2020, 2021, or 2022 for the Dallas campus. Hate crime bias categories include: race, gender, gender identity, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity, national origin, and disability.

CAMPUS COMMUNITY CRIME STATISTICS

Houston Campus

Houston	2022				2021				2020			
	On-Campus Total	TWU Student Housing*	Public Property	Non-Campus	On-Campus Total	TWU Student Housing*	Public Property	Non-Campus	On-Campus Total	TWU Student Housing*	Public Property	Non-Campus
Offenses												
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Rape	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Fondling	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Incest	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Robbery	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Burglary	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Arson	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Domestic Violence	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Dating Violence	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Stalking	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Arrests												
Weapons	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Drugs	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Alcohol	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Referrals												
Weapons	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Drugs	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0
Alcohol	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0	0	N/A	0	0

* The Houston campus does not have any student housing facilities.

No Clery Act reportable crimes were unfounded in 2020, 2021, or 2022 at the Houston campus.

No hate crimes were reported for 2020, 2021, or 2022 for the Houston campus. Hate crime bias categories include: race, gender, gender identity, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity, national origin, and disability.

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