



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

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# Report on Public Safety

Presentation to the Board of Regents  
Facilities Committee

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# Policy Questions

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University of Minnesota public safety in the context of the Louis Freeh Penn State investigative report

- Do we have the right organizational structure?
  - Public Safety and Security on each campus
  - Systemwide units
  
- Have we made the best investments and accomplishments?
  
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BOARD OF REGENTS POLICY**

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Administrative

**HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Adopted: April 8, 1994

Amended: December 9, 2005; February 11, 2011

Supersedes: (see end of policy)

**HEALTH AND SAFETY**

**SECTION I. SCOPE.**

This policy provides for the health and safety of the University of Minnesota (University) community.

**SECTION II. DEFINITIONS.**

**Subd. 1. Health and Safety.** *Health and safety* encompasses personal security; public safety; emergency preparedness; public health; workplace safety; protection of environmental, physical, and monetary resources; and safe and healthful facilities.

**SECTION III. GUIDING PRINCIPLES.**

The following principles shall guide the health and safety of the University community:

(a) The University seeks to provide a safe, secure, and healthy environment in which members of the University community can achieve their educational, research, outreach, service, and employment goals.

(b) The University is committed to providing a safe environment for members of the University community who participate in events or use resources, facilities, and services.

(c) The University is committed to monitoring and addressing emerging health and safety issues.

# U of M Police Departments and Security Services

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- Ensure adherence to the letter and spirit of the Clery Act
- Provide training and direction for all identified “Campus Security Authorities”
- Ensure compliance with mandatory reporting laws of the State of Minnesota
- Ensure a culture of investigative independence supported by command staff with a great depth of experience and professional development
- Partner with other on-campus and off-campus resources with shared goal of a safe environment for students, staff, faculty and visitors

# What is the Jeanne Clery Act?

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- It is a part of the Department of Education Higher Education Opportunities Act
- Jeanne Clery was a victim of homicide while attending Lehigh University
- Congress acted in response, establishing requirements and penalties

# Clery Act Requirements

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- Acquire and publicly report crime statistics on and around campus
- Issue timely warnings when crimes represent an ongoing threat to safety and emergency notifications of imminent threats
- Maintain and publish campus safety and security policies, including emergency, missing student, and fire safety policies
- Maintain crime and fire logs
- Publish and distribute an Annual Security Report containing policies and crime statistics

# Clery Act Compliance

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Improvements underway to assure Clery Act compliance across all campuses:

- Establishing a template Annual Security Report for each campus to use
- Providing a master list of Campus Security Authorities (CSA), which each campus tailors to fit circumstances
- Providing template letters to CSAs to request all crime reports
- Implementing web-based training for CSAs

# University of Minnesota, Crookston

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Gary Willhite, Director, Residential Life and Security Services

## Security Services

- Provide proactive patrol, crime prevention and investigation, law enforcement and emergency response
- Maintain ties to the Crookston Police Department and Polk County Sheriff

## Student Security Guards

- Provide escorts, inspect exterior lighting and campus telephones, and provide building security



# University of Minnesota, Crookston

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## Clery Act:

- Identified and training for 8 Campus Security Authorities

## Partnerships:

- UMC Early Childhood Development Center
- UMC Counseling Services
- UMC Health Care Services
- Polk County Victim Services / N.W. Mental Health

# University of Minnesota, Duluth

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## U of M Duluth Police Department (UMD PD)

- Scott Drewlo, Director/Captain of Police UMDPD
- Provide proactive patrol crime prevention, investigative, law enforcement and emergency services
- Maintains strong working partnership with the Duluth Police Department, other local and State law enforcement agencies throughout northeastern MN as well as several local non-governmental / victim advocacy organizations

# University of Minnesota, Duluth

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## Clery Act:

- Several hundred Campus Security Authorities identified with trainings underway

## Partnerships:

- UMD Chemical Health Assessment Committee
- UMD Student Behavior Management Committee
- Program for Aid to Victims of Sexual Assault (PAVSA)
- Campus Neighbors

# University of Minnesota, Morris

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## U of M Morris Campus Police (UMM PD)

- Jennifer Lund, Lieutenant/Director UMMPD
- Provide proactive parole, crime prevention and safety programs, safe escort services, investigations, parking and law enforcement, building access and security and emergency services
- Maintain ties with the Morris Police, the Stevens County Sheriff's Office, MN State Patrol and surrounding counties

# University of Minnesota, Morris

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## Clery Act:

- 216 Campus Security Authorities

## Partnerships:

- Stevens County Sexual Assault Response Team
- MN Sex Crimes Investigators Association
- Campus Violence Response Team
- Violence Prevention Programming

# University of Minnesota, Rochester

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Gail Sauter, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Finance & Operations  
Security Services

## Student Security Monitors

- Uniformed students responsible for general safety/security during evenings and weekends at 318 Commons (student life & housing bldg.)
- No authority to apprehend or arrest; they contact Rochester Police Dept. or Premier Security

## Premier Security Inc.

- Provides security throughout University Square with authority to apprehend and arrest individuals
- Maintains ties to the Rochester Police Department and University Administration

# University of Minnesota, Rochester

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## Clery Act:

- Currently training 22 Campus Security Authorities

## Partnerships:

- Mayo Medical Center
- Talk One-to-One
- Olmstead Medical Center Skyway Clinic

# University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

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## U of M Twin Cities Police Department (UMPD)

- Greg Hestness, AVP/Chief of Police, UMPD
- Provide proactive/directed patrol, crime prevention and investigation, parking and law enforcement, and emergency response
- Maintains ties and works closely with local Police and Sheriffs, Ramsey and Hennepin County Attorneys

## Student Security Monitors

- Uniformed security monitors and escorts



# University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

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## Clery Act:

- Over 360 Campus Security Authorities trained
  - UMPD online training over 210
  - Housing and Residential Life has trained over 150

## Partnerships:

- UMTC - Aurora Center
- MN Sex Crimes Investigators Association
- Corner House

# Systemwide Public Safety Units

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## Department of Central Security

- Responsible for physical and electronic security installations across the University
  - Maintain, monitor and record over 2,300 digital video surveillance cameras
  - Access control of more than 2,850 doors & elevators in 173 buildings statewide
  - Monitoring of alarms and emergency communication systems 24/7

## Department of Emergency Management

- Responsible for preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation
  - Collaborate with professionals on each campus
- Maintain partnerships with outside agencies in areas of emergency response, management and training.

# Investments & Accomplishments

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- Clery Act Compliance
- Investigative Training
- Relationships with Athletics
- Crime Reporting
- Buildings and Access Systems
- Communication

# Discussion

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- Alignment of perspectives and roles and responsibilities
- Systemwide public safety collaboration and coordination

# Child Safety and Protection

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- Strong track record of maintaining a safe environment for children on our campuses and in our programs
- Housing & Residence Life programs provide services and oversight for organizations leasing residence hall rooms
  - Staff trained on many emergency situations
  - Staff remain on-call 24/7 through the contract
  - Specific contract provisions if attendees are minor age children

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