

# University Police

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With the Marquette community located in downtown Milwaukee, students need to be aware of the realities of city living. Recognizing this, the university strives to educate students about personal safety and crime prevention through a wide variety of safety programs and services.

Marquette operates its own commissioned police department (<http://www.marquette.edu/mupd/about.php>), which works closely with the Milwaukee Police Department to ensure the security and safety of the university community. Located on the first floor of the 16th Street Parking Structure, 749 N. 16th St. (between Wisconsin Avenue and Wells Street), the department houses its administration, officer operations, the Command Information Center, preventive services and Student Safety Programs. MUPD operates 24 hours a day, every day. Services can be obtained by calling (414) 288-6800. In cases of emergency, students and employees should contact MUPD's emergency line by dialing (414) 288-1911 from any campus extension or off-campus phone.

MUPD employs police, public safety and communication officers. The police officers' primary role is to prevent crime and the breach of public order. Primary responsibilities include protecting students, faculty, staff, campus visitors, property and facilities from accidents, bodily harm, fire, theft, vandalism and illegal entry; enforcing laws and traffic and parking regulations; apprehending violators; providing general information and assistance to the public; conducting criminal investigations; and participating in community-oriented policing efforts. Public Safety officers are responsible for protecting the Marquette community and securing Marquette's property. They conduct walking patrols of campus buildings and grounds, provide authorized after-hours access to buildings, and assist campus community members, who have locked keys in cars, need jump-starts or require other assistance. Communications officers coordinate the department's response to calls for assistance. They monitor the radio communications among officers, answer calls for assistance received via telephone or the Blue Light Phone system and monitor the department's video surveillance systems.

To provide members of the Marquette and surrounding community with a direct means of contacting MUPD, the university maintains Blue Light and Service Phones. Blue Light Phones, most frequently recognized by blue lights on the top of the phones, and Service Phones, most frequently recognized by red labels, are placed in university buildings, apartments, parking areas and near-off-campus areas. Video cameras are located throughout campus and in the near-campus neighborhood. They are linked to the Command Information Center in MUPD and are used to help monitor suspicious behavior and document activity in a given area.

MUPD also offers a free safety app, EagleEye, as an added layer of security. Available for download from the Apple App Store and Google Play for Android, the EagleEye app features a mobile Blue Light feature, which allows users to press a button in the app that connects them directly to MUPD; a Friend Walk feature, which allows students to track their friends' locations from point A to point B; and a variety of other safety and security features.

A wide variety of crime prevention and safety awareness programs (<https://www.marquette.edu/university-safety/guides/safety-tips.php>) are made available to groups that are interested in promoting safety. Popular topics include self-defense, personal safety, sexual assault prevention, active shooter training and alcohol awareness. Numerous brochures, a newsletter and crime statistics are readily available to provide information.

Any member of the Marquette community who becomes involved in a crisis situation can receive the benefits of the Victim/Witness Services program. The program provides resources for those in need of counseling or support services in addition to providing escorts to and from all necessary court-related appearances.

MUPD complies with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act through the publication of the Safety Resource Guide, which includes campus crime statistics and crime prevention strategies. Copies of the Safety Resource Guide are available from MUPD (<http://www.marquette.edu/mupd/>) or by calling (414) 288-7320.