

# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

April 24, 2017

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety of students, facility, staff, and visitors of the campus.

On April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 at approximately 9:10p.m. a female student was attending a concert at the RAC when she was sexually assaulted. The victim reported to police that the suspect grabbed her right breast over her clothes. The suspect is described as a white male between 18 and 20 years old, approximately 5 feet 6 inches tall, he was wearing a white t-shirt and blue and white basketball type shorts with the words "wrestling" and "blue" on them, and he had a scar over his right eye. Anyone with information about this incident should contact Detective Chet Smith at 410-455-2891 or [smithcht@umbc.edu](mailto:smithcht@umbc.edu)

This information is being released in accordance with the federal Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act. The Clery Act requires all colleges and universities that participate in federal financial aid programs to keep and disclose information about crime on and near their respective campuses, including campus safety notices of incidents that may represent a threat to the safety of students or employees.

The only person responsible for sexual misconduct is the perpetrator. It is a violation of University policy ([View Policies](#)) to engage in sexual activities without consent. Someone incapacitated due to alcohol or drugs cannot consent to sexual activity. A University student or employee in violation of sexual misconduct policies faces sanctions up to and including expulsion or termination.

With no intent to victim blame and recognizing that only abusers are responsible for their abuse, the following are some strategies to reduce one's risk of sexual assault or harassment (taken from Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network, [www.rainn.org](http://www.rainn.org)): if you are uncomfortable with someone's behavior or feel threatened, remove yourself from the situation; be aware of your surroundings; try to avoid isolated areas; trust your instincts; make sure your cell phone is with you and charged; don't allow yourself to be isolated with someone you don't trust or someone you don't know; when you go to a social gathering, go with a group of friends; don't leave your drink unattended and don't accept drinks from people you don't know or trust; and watch out for your friends.

Bystanders play a critical role in the prevention of sexual assaults and sexual misconduct. Bystanders are not directly involved, but can intervene, speak up and do something about a situation. The University of Maryland Baltimore County promotes a culture of community accountability. If you or someone else is in immediate danger, call 9-1-1 or 410-455-5555 immediately.

If you believe a crime has been committed, call 9-1-1 or 410-455-5555 immediately.

To report a sexual assault or other report of sexual misconduct, call the UMBC Police at any time at 410-455-5555. Individuals may also report sex offenses to the University's Title IX coordinator at 410-455-1606 or [bhoye@umbc.edu](mailto:bhoye@umbc.edu). Please visit [UMBC Human Relations](#) for on and off campus resources related to sexual assault and misconduct.

## CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

February 13, 2017

A re-occurring crime on UMBC's campus is the "On-Line Job Scam." Job seekers who use online job search web sites must be careful to avoid a type of job scam in which the applicant is asked to accept payment to his or her own bank account. These scams are known as "payment-forwarding" or "payment-transfer" scams. These scams involve a con artist who pretends to be an employer and uses a job advertisement to lure an unsuspecting job seeker. Con artists are quite convincing, and may even use company names and corporate logos to convince victims that they are legitimate employers. **There is NO chance of recovering funds or arresting these criminals.**

### Red flags:

1	Do not forward, transfer, or "wire" money to an employer.
2	Do not transfer money and retain a portion for payment.
3	A contact email address that is not a primary domain. For example, employers calling itself "Omega Inc." with a "Yahoo!" email address.
4	Misspellings and grammatical mistakes in the job ad.
5	Monster .com lists descriptive words in job postings that are tip-offs to fraud. Their list includes "package-forwarding," "money transfers," "wiring funds," "eBay," and "PayPal."
6	World Privacy Forum researchers also found that the terms "Foreign Agent Agreement" often appears in contracts and emails sent to job seekers.
7	Interviewers who tell you you're a finalist even though you haven't had much of an interview.
8	Companies that you can't find references to in search engines or on sites like the Better Business Bureau. Conversely, companies that are established, but the contact names, numbers and email addresses don't match up with what you've received. This could indicate someone's just borrowing a legitimate company's name.

Contact: Detective Chester Smith at [smithcht@umbc.edu](mailto:smithcht@umbc.edu)

# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

April 18, 2016

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety of students, faculty, staff, and visitors of the campus.

Man displays knife:

Occurred: April 18, 2016

Time: Around midnight

Location: Center Road near Student Judicial Programs

On April 18<sup>th</sup> around midnight a female UMBC student and her guest were parked on Center Road near Student Judicial Programs when the suspect attempted to enter the rear door of their vehicle. The non-student exited the vehicle and asked the suspect if he had a problem. The suspect responded by asking the non-student if he had a problem. While he was doing this the suspect partially removed a black handled knife from his pocket. The suspect then fled on foot towards the rear of the counseling center. The suspect is described as a white male, 18 to 21 years old, strawberry blond hair that hangs below his shoulders, 5 feet 11 inches tall, thin, wearing a dark baseball cap and "van" type shoes.

The UMBC Police are actively investigating this incident. Anyone with information should call [410-455-5555](tel:410-455-5555).

We would like to remind our community members to:

- Be aware of your surroundings;
- Do not walk alone when possible;
- Utilize the 24/7 escort service by calling [410-455-5555](tel:410-455-5555);
- Immediately report any conduct of a suspicious or unusual nature to police.

# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

August 24, 2015

Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department

410-455-5555

**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety of students, facility, staff, and visitors of the campus.

## Recent Campus Crime Trend

### Bike Thefts

During the past month, 5 bikes have been stolen at UMBC:

<b>Date</b>	<b>CCN</b>	<b>Serial #</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>
08/23	15-00204	YES	Walker Ave	Trek Blue/ Silver
08/23	15-00204	UNK	Walker Ave	Marin Orange
08/23	15-00204	UNK	Walker Ave	Schwinn Silver
08/23	15-00205	UNK	Harbor Hall	Fuji Red
08/23	15-00206	UNK	Patapsco Hall	Workman Blue

Things to know:

Please remember that bicycles are vulnerable as they are easily stolen and ridden away.

Please register your bike with the UMBC Police, and we will record the bike's serial number and other pertinent information that significantly increases the chances of recovering your bike.

**UMBC Police will be at the Residential Life Community Center from 12p.m. to 1p.m. and 6p.m. to 7p.m. each day this week to facilitate bike registration. you may also bring your bicycle to the Police Station 24/7.**

**Leads:** If you have any information on the thefts of these bikes please contact Detective Chet Smith at [410-455-2891](tel:410-455-2891) or [smithcht@umbc.edu](mailto:smithcht@umbc.edu).

Also, please report all suspicious persons or activities to the police department at [410-455-5555](tel:410-455-5555).

## **Keeping your wheels: Bicycle anti-theft prevention**

### **1. Always lock your bike.**

Statistics show that most bikes are actually stolen from your dwelling, so keep your bike secured, preferably with a “u lock” style (<http://tinyurl.com/qfujwz5>).

- A. Put the lock through the bike frame, the rear wheel, and/or the front wheel.
- B. Using one or two locks, secure every part of your bike to a solid object. Generally this means locking the frame and both wheels. (In some cases, remove the front wheel and place it next to the frame before locking it all down.) To be extra safe, you may want to take all quick release parts with you, especially if you have a \$100+ saddle.

### **2. Lock your bike in an open, well-lit area that can be seen by pedestrians and passing motorists.**

The more public you make your bike, the less likely it is to be stolen. Try to put it in an open area, near a window, and/or near other bicycles.

### **3. Always secure your bike to a SOLID object.**

Remember, a small tree is not solid. Small trees, chain link fence, wooden posts, and other objects are easily broken by thieves. If they're willing to steal your bike, they're not going to think twice about damaging public property in the process.

### **4. Be sure to secure any quick-release parts such as wheels or seat-post.**

Locking your frame doesn't do a whole lot of good if your expensive parts can be swiped in seconds. If you have quick-release wheels, make sure you have a cable lock strung through them. If you have a quick-release seat-post, consider taking it inside with you.

# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

April 28, 2015

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety of students, faculty, staff, and visitors of the campus.

Sexual Assault(s):

Occurred: April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup>  
Time: Early Morning Hours  
Location: Lot 25 near TRC

On April 27<sup>th</sup> UMBC received two reports from female students who were assaulted in Lot 25 (near the TRC Building/Poplar Avenue). One victim was walking in the parking lot when a car "bumped" into her leg. The driver then made a sexually offensive remark to the victim. The second victim was also walking in the lot when the same suspect drove next to her and touched her buttocks. These two incidents caused the UMBC Police to send an emergency text alert out yesterday morning. In response to that alert three additional victims came forward. On April 23<sup>rd</sup> one victim also had her buttocks touched and a second victim had her hand grabbed. On April 24<sup>th</sup> another victim had her dress lifted by the suspect who also made sexual comments to her. The UMBC Police currently have a presence in the area of the reports. We are asking for the public's help. The suspect is a white male with dark hair and facial hair. He is 30 years old. He is driving a 2008 dark colored Mazda with MD tags 3EDC12. If anyone sees this vehicle on campus they should immediately call [410-455-5555](tel:410-455-5555).

The UMBC Police are actively investigating this incident, have identified a person of interest, and expect an arrest shortly. Anyone with information should call [410-455-5555](tel:410-455-5555). We would like to remind our community members to:

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# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

January 26, 2015

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

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Assault with Weapon:

Occurred: January 26, 2015  
Time: 11:45p.m.  
Location: Inner Loop near Back Road

On January 26<sup>th</sup> at approximately 11:45p.m. the male student victim was jogging on the inner loop near Back Road (<http://tinyurl.com/l2dvbdb>) when he heard an individual shout to him. He stopped and observed the suspect standing next to a running car on the outer loop approximately 75-100 feet away from him. The suspect was pointing what appeared to be a long gun at the victim. The victim fled from the scene and police were later contacted. The suspect is described as a African-American male, 20-30 years old, slender build and medium height, and was wearing an orange colored parka style jacket. The vehicle he was standing next to was described as a sedan.

The UMBC Police are actively investigating this incident. Anyone with information should call [410-455-5555](tel:410-455-5555). We would like to remind our community members to:

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# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

November 14, 2014

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

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## Off Campus Robbery

Occurred: November 14, 2014

Time: 7:35p.m.

Location: Shelbourne Road at Stevens Avenue

The Baltimore County Police Department is investigating an armed robbery of a student that occurred on November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7:35p.m. near the intersection of Shelbourne Road and Stevens Avenue ( <http://tinyurl.com/lzh2rs9>). The victim reported he was walking along Shelbourne Road when he observed the suspect walking towards him. The suspect approached the victim, displayed a black or dark gray handgun and demanded the victim's money. The victim surrendered his property and the suspect ran towards Linden Avenue. The suspect is described as black male, 18 to 20 years old, 6 feet tall, 200 pounds, wearing a black jacket and pants and a hooded black sweatshirt.

The Baltimore County Police Department is actively investigating the incident. Anyone with information is encouraged to call [410-887-0872](tel:410-887-0872). The Baltimore County Police and the University Police remind individuals to practice basic safety tips such as; be aware of your surroundings, walk in groups, walk in well-lit areas, and immediately report any conduct of a suspicious or unusual nature to police. The University Police also offer a 24 hour escort service for all of campus and areas adjacent to the campus. You can request an escort by calling [410-455-5555](tel:410-455-5555).

# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

September 2, 2014

Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department

410-455-5555

## Recent Campus Crime Trends

### Bike Thefts

During the past month, 5 bikes have been stolen at UMBC:

<b>Date</b>	<b>CCN</b>	<b>Serial #</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>
8/8	14-00214	No	Patapsco Hall	28" Men's Mountain Bike
8/31	14-00234	No	Erickson Hall	Red 29" GT Mountain Bike
8/31	14-00233	No	Chesapeake Hall	White 27 speed bike
8/31	14-00236	No	Erickson Hall	21" Green Monocog bike
9/01	14-00237	No	Severn Hall	Maroon 21 speed Diamond Back Edgewood bike

Things to know:

1. Please remember that bicycles are vulnerable as they are easily stolen and ridden away.
2. **None** of the bikes were registered with the UMBC Police Department's Bicycle Registration Program; and
3. **NO** serial numbers were given to the police.
4. Please register your bike with the UMBC Police, and we will record the bike's serial number and other pertinent information that significantly increases the chances of recovering your bike.
5. **UMBC Police will be at the Residential Life Community Center from 1p.m. to 3p.m. each day this week to facilitate bike registration.**
6. **Leads:** If you have any information on the thefts of these bikes please contact Detective Chet Smith at 410-455-2891 or smithcht@umbc.edu.
7. Also, please report all suspicious persons or activities to the police department at 410-455-5555.

## **Keeping your wheels: Bicycle anti-theft prevention**

*by Levi Bloom, Bloom Bike Shop*

### **1. Always lock your bike.**

Statistics show that most bikes are actually stolen from your dwelling, so keep that bike locked up no matter what!

### **2. Lock your bike in an open, well-lit area that can be seen by pedestrians and passing motorists.**

The more public you make your bike, the less likely it is to be stolen. Try to put it in an open area, near a window, and/or near other bicycles.

### **3. Always secure your bike to a SOLID object.**

Remember, a small tree is not solid! Small trees, chain link fence, wooden posts, and other objects are easily broken by thieves. If they're willing to steal your bike, they're not going to think twice about damaging public property in the process!

### **4. Be sure to secure any quick-release parts such as wheels or seat-post.**

Locking your frame doesn't do a whole lot of good if your expensive parts can be swiped in seconds. If you have quick-release wheels, make sure you have a cable lock strung through them. If you have a quick-release seat-post, consider taking it inside with you.

### **5. Do not lock your bike where you are not allowed.**

If you come across a sign that warns you not to lock your bike to a certain object (usually hand railings,) heed their warning! The property owner may remove your bike!

#### **A. Get a lock.**

Obviously, you need a lock, or this whole plan falls apart! Check out the bike lock test at <http://bloombikeshop.com/biketheft/bikelocktest.php> or head to your local bike shop to purchase a good lock.

#### **B. Check out the pictures of correctly locked bikes.**

Having a lock is good, but you must use it correctly for it to help you out. So take a look at photos of correctly locked bikes (<http://bloombikeshop.com/biketheft/correctlylockedbikes.php>) to get a good visual on what it takes to lock your bike securely.

#### **C. Put the lock through the bike frame, the rear wheel, and/or the front wheel.**

Using one or two locks, secure every part of your bike to a solid object. Generally this means locking the frame and both wheels. (In some cases, remove the front wheel and place it next to the frame before locking it all down.) To be extra safe, you may want to take all quick release parts with you, especially if you have a \$100+ saddle.

## CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

May 7, 2014

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

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Indecent Exposure:

Occurred: May 7, 2014  
Time: 8:45p.m.  
Location: Inner Loop adjacent to Lot 3

On May 7, 2014 at 8:45p.m. hours the female student victim was walking on the inner loop near Lot 3 (see attached photo for location) when she passed a parked car that had its headlights on. As the victim passed the car the suspect turned the headlights off and yelled "hey" to the victim. The victim turned around and observed the suspect leaning back in the front seat with his penis exposed while he was masturbating. The victim yelled at the suspect who then drove away. The suspect is described as a white male, 18-24 years old, dark hair, wearing a dark t-shirt and dark pants. The vehicle is described as a small 4 door black vehicle.

The UMBC Police are actively investigating this incident. Anyone with information should call [410-455-5555](tel:410-455-5555). We would like to remind our community members to:

- Be aware of your surroundings;
- Do not walk alone when possible;
- Utilize the 24/7 escort service by calling [410-455-5555](tel:410-455-5555);
- Immediately report any conduct of a suspicious or unusual nature to police.

Please do not hesitate to call the UMBC Police for any behavior considered unusual.

# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

March 27, 2014

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety of students, faculty, staff, and visitors of the campus.

Theft and Vandalism involving vending machines:

Occurred: Week of March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
Time: Overnight  
Location: Buildings in Academic Area

The UMBC Police recently received several reports of vending machines being vandalized and broken into. These incidents have taken place between the hours of 9:00p.m. and 2:00a.m in buildings along the academic area (Fine Arts, Match/Psyc, Engineering). The UMBC Police Department is asking for your assistance to curtail the thefts and damage to the vending machines in these areas. Although closed between the hours of 11p.m. and 7a.m. these buildings are still populated by students and staff for studies and work. We ask that if you are in buildings during the evening hours that you be aware of your surroundings and report individuals exhibiting suspicious behavior to the UMBC Police by calling [410-455-5555](tel:410-455-5555). Some behaviors considered suspicious may include:

- Individuals asking questions that are not common for the given time and location.
- Individuals attempting to conceal their face by turning away when you approach.
- Hiding in shadows behind objects in an apparent attempt to keep from being clearly seen.
- Being evasive when asked a direct question.
- Carrying items that do not fit the time and circumstances for the location (e.g., a person carrying a toolbox in a building at 1:00a.m.).
- Linger in areas that have vending machines, without making a purchase.
- Wandering through academic areas without evidence of student affiliation, such as books, laptops, or school project materials.

Please do not hesitate to call the UMBC Police for any behavior considered unusual.

## CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

September 16, 2013

Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department

410-455-5555

**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety of students, faculty, staff, and visitors of the campus.

### **CRIME ALERT UPDATE - Arrest(s) made**

The Baltimore County Police have arrested five individuals in connection with the off campus robbery that occurred on September 16<sup>th</sup>. Two of these individuals are being charged as adults and the investigation is continuing.

## **OFF CAMPUS CRIME ALERT**

### Off Campus Robbery

**Occurred:** September 16, 2013  
**Time:** 8:25p.m.  
**Location:** Westland Boulevard and Courtney Road

### **Details:**

The Baltimore County Police Department received a report of two individuals (one being affiliated with UMBC) who were robbed by a group of young males near the intersection of Westland Boulevard and Courtney Road (see below PDF map). The two victims were approached by a group of 6-7 black male teens. The suspects struck the victims with a baseball bat and demanded money from the victims.

The Baltimore County Police Department is actively investigating the incident. Anyone with information is encouraged to call **410-887-0872**.

The Baltimore County Police and the University Police remind individuals to practice basic safety tips such as; be aware of your surroundings, walk in groups, walk in well-lit areas, and immediately report any conduct of a suspicious or unusual nature to police by calling 911.



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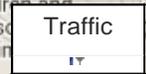


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The map displays a section of Baltimore, Maryland, centered on the Baltimore Beltway (I-83). Key landmarks include the Spring Grove Hospital Center, the UMBC Stadium Complex, and the BWTech@UMBC Research & Technology Park. Major roads shown include I-83, I-695, I-195, and I-95. A red location pin labeled 'A' is placed on the Baltimore Beltway. The map includes a compass, a street view pegman, and a scale bar (2000 ft / 500 m). Navigation controls for zooming and panning are visible on the left side.



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## CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

May 13, 2013

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety of students, faculty, staff, and visitors of the campus.

### **Theft of Vehicle Tires:**

**Date:** May 12 & 13, 2013

**Time:** Overnight

**Location:** Hilltop Circle @ Center Rd and Lot # 20

The UMBC Police received two reports early this morning of tires being stolen from two late model Acura Integra's in Lot 20 and on the loop at Hilltop Circle and Center Road. These are the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Acura Integra's that were targeted for tire thefts this semester. The UMBC Police are seeking assistance from anyone who has information about these crimes. If you have information please contact the UMBC Police at [410-455-5555](tel:410-455-5555).

In addition if you are the owner of an Acura Integra and park on campus please contact Major Paul Dillon at [410-707-6012](tel:410-707-6012) to discuss security options for your vehicle.

The UMBC Community members, guests and visitors to the UMBC Campus are urged to continue good crime prevention practices, to include the following:

Lock your doors when at home or when away.  
Immediately report any conduct of a suspicious or unusual nature to police.  
Be aware of your surroundings.  
Do not walk alone.

## **CAMPUS CRIME ALERT**

**November 29, 2012**

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety of students, faculty, staff, and visitors of the campus.

**Strong Arm Robbery  
UMBC Police Case # 12-00473**

**November 29, 2012**

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department 410-455-5555**

**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety and/or property of students, faculty, staff, and visitors of the campus.

**On Thursday, November 29, 2012, at approx. 4:20 p.m., two suspects attempted to take personal property out of the hand of Victim, a UMBC student while she was walking towards Lot 25 at TRC. Suspects are described as:**

- Suspect #1, described as a white female, heavy set, blond hair in a bun with a black band, blue jeans, acne;**
- Suspect #2, described as a white female, tall, skinny, blue jeans, blond hair.**

**Suspects began talking to Victim by Lot 25 under the pretense of asking for directions. Suspects then assaulted the Victim with their hands and attempted to take her property. Suspects were unsuccessful in getting Victim's property. Both Suspects then fled from the area, off campus, and towards Stevens Avenue in Arbutus. Victim sustained minor injuries.**

**The UMBC Police Department is investigating this incident. Anyone with any information regarding this incident is asked to call the UMBC Police Department at 410-455-5555.**

**Be aware of your surroundings.  
Immediately report any conduct of a suspicious or unusual nature to police.  
Do not walk alone.**

## CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

March 15, 2012

Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department

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**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety of students, faculty, staff, and visitors of the campus.

### MONEY TRANSFER FRAUD ALERT

The UMBC Police Department has received information regarding a fraud scheme targeting college students, and has identified evidence of the fraud attempting to be perpetrated on the UMBC campus and other college campuses. The scam involves supposed marketers, in this case, the ABCO ROOFING COMPANY INCORPORATED advertising profit opportunities of at least \$600 per week. In this scam, fraudulent checks are sent to the victim via mailing service for around \$3,000, and the victim is instructed to deposit the fraudulent check in the victim's account and transfer funds, keeping 10% of the original fraudulent check, to a third party described as a supplier. In some cases, the return address has a valid company name and a valid phone number.

Fraud schemes involving money transfers requested from the victim after receiving a counterfeit check are popular among online con artists. Money transfers are immediate and it typically takes time for the fraudulent check to be discovered, and by the time that the victim realizes the fraudulent check received for deposit is not genuine, the victim has already sent their own funds on to the third party "supplier".

Cases of fraud that capitalize on procedural delays in the banking system to hide counterfeit checks and money orders are not a new trend. The con artists often switches to available mediums and targets, such as this current scam which targets college students. Students are attractive targets for scams involving online fraud because that group is likely to conduct business and social networking on the internet. This alert for recent targeting of students combines a legitimate money making venture with instructions that may seem odd to victims. Raising awareness of the underlying commonalities with these money transfer scams will help prevent similar incidents.

Be aware of your surroundings.

Immediately report any conduct of a suspicious or unusual nature to police.

Do not walk alone.

## CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

March 12, 2012

Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department

410-455-5555

**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety of students, faculty, staff, and visitors of the campus.

### Multiple Thefts from the Retriever Activities Center (RAC):

Occurred: January 12, 2012 to Present

Time: Varies

Location: RAC

The UMBC Police have seen an increase in the amount of thefts from within the RAC since the beginning of the spring semester. The large majority of the thefts have been of unattended property while RAC patrons are utilizing the facility. The RAC has numerous areas where belongings can be secured during time spent at the RAC. Two types of lockers exist, the traditional larger lockers where patrons must provide a device to secure the locker and smaller coin (\$.25) operated lockers that return the coin once the key is returned. These lockers are located in the following locations:

- Both men's and women's pool locker rooms (arena side)
- General recreation locker rooms (RAC gym side)
- Outside men's pool locker room (\$.25)
- On the wall between men's/women's recreation locker rooms (\$.25)

Many of these thefts are crimes of opportunity and can be prevented with the help of the UMBC community. We encourage you to utilize options available to you within the RAC to secure your property. UMBC Community members, guests and visitors to the UMBC Campus are urged to continue good crime prevention practices, to include the following:

Be aware of your surroundings.

Immediately report any conduct of a suspicious or unusual nature to police.

Do not walk alone.

## **CAMPUS CRIME ALERT**

**February 19, 2012**

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety of students, faculty, staff, and visitors of the campus.

**Suspicious activity/person:**

**Occurred: February 19, 2012**

**Time: 6:10a.m.**

**Location: Walker Avenue @ Hilltop Circle**

UMBC Police responded to a report from a UMBC female student who reported a suspicious Hispanic male who approached her as she was walking to her car on Walker Ave around 6:10a.m. this morning. This male is described as a Hispanic male, 5'7" tall, medium build, wearing a red hooded (zip up style), blue jeans, and a plaid shirt. The male said "hi" and attempted to gain access to her car through the passenger side door. The suspect was unable to gain access to the complainant's car and fled on foot in an unknown direction.

University Police are actively investigating this incident. Please call the UMBC Police at (410) 455-5555 if you have any information.

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## **CAMPUS CRIME ALERT**

**September 20, 2011**

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

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### **On-Campus Sexual Assault:**

#### **Occurred:**

**Date: September 20, 2011**

**Time: 7:30p.m.**

**Location: Commons near Flat Tuesday's**

On September 20, 2011 at approximately 7:30p.m the female student victim was leaving Flat Tuesday's within the Commons when she was approached by a male she had met previously inside Flat Tuesday's. The suspect pushed the victim against a wall under the stairwell next to Flat Tuesday's and sexually assaulted the victim. The suspect is described as a white male with dark curly hair, approximately six feet tall, slim build, wearing a black tee shirt with gold lettering, blue jeans and black and white tennis shoes.

#### **UPDATE:**

**September 21, 2011**

The UMBC Police have arrested a 21 year old male from Catonsville, MD in reference to the sexual assault that occurred on September 20, 2011. During the course of the investigation police discovered a second victim who was also assaulted just outside the Commons by the same suspect. The suspect will be charged with 3rd and 4th degree sex offenses.

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## **CAMPUS CRIME ALERT**

**June 20, 2011**

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

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### **On-Campus Attempt Robbery:**

#### **Occurred:**

**Date: June 20, 2011**

**Time: 11:25p.m.**

**Location: North side of Dining Hall**

On June 20, 2011 at approximately 11:25p.m. a female student victim was walking on the North side of the Dining Hall when she was approached by three white males possibly in their late teens. Suspect #1 grabbed her UMBC ID Card which was attached to her neck by a lanyard. The ID card sleeve broke off from the lanyard and fell to the ground. The suspect(s) did not say anything to the victim. The victim was not injured and the subjects immediately left the area without taking any property.

#### **Suspect(s) are described as follows:**

(1): White male, late teens, dressed in all black with black sneakers and a black baseball cap.

(2): White male, late teens.

(3): White male, late teens.

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## **CAMPUS CRIME ALERT**

**May 21, 2011**

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

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**Homemade Incendiary Devices found on Campus:**

**Occurred:**

**Date: May 21, 2011**

**Time: 10:20a.m.**

**Location: Gunpowder/Terrace Apartments**

**On May 21, 2011, at approximately 10:20a.m., an employee of the University found two homemade incendiary devices (bottles filled with a flammable liquid with a wick inserted in the mouth of the container) in an exterior stairwell of Gunpowder / Terrace Apartments. UMBC Police were called to the scene and immediately removed the devices to a safe area. UMBC Police are conducting an investigation into this incident and anyone with information is encouraged to call 410-455-5555.**

## **CAMPUS CRIME ALERT**

**March 20, 2011**

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

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**On-Campus Armed Robbery:**

**Occurred:**

**Date: March 20, 2011**

**Time: 10:55p.m.**

**Location: Rear of the Engineering and Computer Science (ECS) Building**

**On March 20, 2011 at approximately 10:55p.m., UMBC Police received information from the victim reporting an armed robbery that occurred at the rear of the ECS building facing the Fine Arts Construction Site. The victim was leaving the building when he was approached by the suspect who displayed a black handgun and demanded the victim's wallet. The victim complied and the suspect fled the scene towards the University Center.**

**Suspect is described as follows:**

**Black male, 6 feet tall, 200 pounds, wearing white sweats and a dark "hoodie" type sweatshirt, nothing further at this time.**

**University Police are actively investigating this incident. Please call the UMBC Police at (410) 455-5555 if you have any information.**

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# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

March 12, 2011

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

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## **On-Campus Assault/Attempt Robbery:**

**Date:** March 12, 2011

**Time:** 3:00 a.m.

**Location:** Hilltop Circle near Administration Drive

On March 13, 2011 at 12:33 a.m., UMBC Police received information from a resident student reporting an attempt robbery that occurred on Hilltop Circle. The female student was jogging on Hilltop Circle on March 12, 2011 at approximately 3:00 a.m., when she stopped near Administration Drive to catch her breath. At this time she was approached from behind by the suspect who covered her eyes with his hand and tried to reach into her pockets in an apparent attempt to remove property. The victim struck the suspect who fled the scene.

Suspect is described as follows:

Male, approximately 6 feet tall, wearing dark clothing, nothing further at this time.

University Police are actively investigating this incident. Please call the UMBC Police at (410) 455-5555 if you have any information.

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# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

February 18, 2011

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

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## **On-Campus Assault**

**Date:** February 18, 2011

**Time:** 12:18. a.m.

### **Location: Hilltop Circle near Center Road**

UMBC Police received information from a resident student reporting an assault that occurred on Hilltop Circle. The student was jogging on outer Hilltop Circle when he approached three men walking in the opposite direction towards Poplar Avenue. As the victim approached the three men the suspect punched him in the face knocking him to the ground. The suspect then asked the victim if he "had anything." The victim responded "no" and then the suspects fled towards the wooded area across from Back Road.

Suspect is described as follows:

White male, 6 feet tall, wearing a pink shirt and khaki pants or shorts. Updates on the suspect description and investigation will be posted on the crime alert portion of the police homepage at

[http://www.umbc.edu/police/crime\\_alert/Current\\_Crime\\_Alert/CAMPUS\\_CRIME\\_ALERT\\_CURRENT.PDF](http://www.umbc.edu/police/crime_alert/Current_Crime_Alert/CAMPUS_CRIME_ALERT_CURRENT.PDF)

University Police are actively investigating this incident. Please call the UMBC Police at (410) 455-5555 if you have any information.

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## **CAMPUS CRIME ALERT**

**November 12, 2010, 5:00 A.M.**

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

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### **UPDATE to CRIME ALERT**

UMBC Police have made an arrest in the below case. An 18 year old UMBC student is in custody and being charged with 1st Degree Burglary and related offenses.

#### **On-Campus Residential Burglary**

UMBC Police received information from a resident student reporting a non-forcible entry into her dormitory suite. The student was awakened from her sleep and confronted the suspect who ran from her residence. The victim reported the theft of personal property by the suspect. The victim was not injured. The suspect did not speak to the victim but immediately ran from the location.

Suspect is described as follows.

Black male of medium complexion, last seen wearing a dark colored shirt and green pants.

University Police are actively investigating this incident. Please call the UMBC Police at (410) 455-5555 if you have any information.

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# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

October 20, 2010

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

## **Recent Campus Crime Trends**

### **Thefts from Motor Vehicles**

During the past 2-3 weeks several vehicles have been broken into on campus, especially the North portion of Hilltop Circle in apparent attempts to steal GPS devices and other property. In some cases victims left GPS accessories in view. University police are investigating these incidents.

Please remember that motor vehicles are vulnerable, anywhere, when left parked and unattended. Expensive electronic equipment or any other items, left in plain sight, make your car a more attractive target for break-in and theft. Motor vehicle windows are easily broken or pulled out of their tracks and these smash-and-grab-thefts only take a few seconds each. All loose items in your vehicle should be secured out of sight or removed from the vehicle. Make your car less likely to be a target for break-in or theft; secure or hide all loose items in the trunk, lock your doors, leave your windows tightly closed, and report all suspicious persons or activities to the police department at 410-455-5555.

### **Thefts from RAC Locker Rooms**

During the past 3-4 weeks several lockers within the RAC have been broken into and property removed. Some of these lockers were left unsecured making them an easy target for theft. University Police are investigating these incidents and anyone with information should contact the Police at 410-455-5555.

Make your property less likely to be a target by; using a strong and sturdy lock, taking your key with you, avoid placing valuable items in the locker, and report all suspicious activity to the police department at 410-455-5555.

# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

September 5, 2010

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety of students, faculty, staff, and visitors of the campus.

## **Off-Campus Attempt Robbery**

UMBC Police received information from the Baltimore County Police that on Sunday, September 5, 2010 at 9:25 p.m. there was a Strongarm Robbery and assault that took place near the UMBC campus near the intersection of Maple Avenue and East Drive in Arbutus. The victim was one of 3 teenagers approached by four teenagers described as African American who demanded money. The victim gave them money and they demanded more money. When the victim said he had no more money, he was assaulted by 2 of the youths. The first youth is described as African American 5'6" wearing white T-shirt. The second youth is described as African American 5'6" wearing a dark jacket. The victim was not seriously injured and was not affiliated with the university.

The Baltimore County Police Department is investigating this incident as it happened off the campus of UMBC.

Please call the UMBC Police at (410) 455-5555 or the Baltimore County Police at 911, if you have any information.

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## CAMPUS CRIME ALERT 2

August 22, 2010

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

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### **Off-Campus Armed Robbery**

On Sunday, August 22, 2010 UMBC Police received information from the Baltimore County Police Department, Precinct 1, reporting there was a commercial armed robbery in the 500 block of Fredrick Road, north of the UMBC campus that occurred at approximately 9:14 PM.

One of the suspects is reported to have displayed a weapon during the commission of this offense.

The suspects are described as black males; 5'10 white t-shirt and jeans, red t-shirt and jeans both suspects had their faces covered during the robbery. Suspects left the building on foot and ran towards the rear of the building.

No additional information is available at this time.

The Baltimore County Police Department is investigating this incident. Please call the Baltimore County Police at 911 if you have any information related to this offense or any suspected criminal activity.

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Travel in well lit areas whenever possible, on or off campus.

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The UMBC Police Department may be reached 24 hours a day, every day of the year at 410-455-5555. The UMBC Police may also be reached by calling 911, through the Baltimore County Police.

UMBC Police maintain direct radio contact with the Baltimore County Police at Precinct 1, 24 hours a day.

# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT 1

August 22, 2010

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

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## **Off-Campus Armed Robbery**

On Sunday, August 22, 2010 UMBC Police received information from the Baltimore County Police Department, Precinct 1, reporting there was a commercial armed robbery in the 4600 block of Wilkens Avenue, east of the UMBC campus that occurred at approximately 7:13 PM.

The suspect is reported to have implied the possession of a weapon during the commission of this offense.

The suspect is described as a white male; in his thirties as to age, 6'00" to 6'01" in height, medium build, with short dirty blonde hair. He is reported last seen wearing a white t-shirt possibly over a blue t-shirt, with blue jeans. The suspect left the scene of the offense on foot towards Maiden Choice Lane.

No additional information is available at this time.

The Baltimore County Police Department is investigating this incident. Please call the Baltimore County Police at 911 if you have any information related to this offense or any suspected criminal activity.

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# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

August 17, 2010

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

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## **Off-Campus Robbery**

UMBC Police received information from the Baltimore County Police reporting that on Tuesday, 17 August 2010 at approximately 4:00 AM, an Armed Robbery occurred near the UMBC campus, in the 4400 block of Alan Drive.

As the victim was exiting his vehicle in the 4400 Block of Alan Drive, the victim was approached by 2 men described as African Americans, 25 to 40 years of age. The suspects displayed a handgun, assaulted and robbed the victim of money and personal property.

The suspects fled the area in a vehicle described only as black in color with 4 doors. No further description of the vehicle is available. The vehicle was last observed west bound on Alan Drive, towards Wilkens Avenue.

Alan Drive is east of the UMBC campus community.

The victim is not affiliated with the UMBC community.

The Baltimore County Police Department is investigating this incident as it happened off of the campus of UMBC.

Please call the UMBC Police at (410) 455-5555 or the Baltimore County Police at 911, if you have any information related to this or any criminal offense occurring at UMBC or in Baltimore County Maryland.

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Be aware of, and familiar with your surroundings.

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# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

July 28, 2010

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety of students, faculty, staff, and visitors of the campus.

## **Off-Campus Attempt Robbery**

UMBC Police received information from the Baltimore County Police that on Wednesday 28 July at 16:35 p.m. there was an Armed Robbery that took place near the UMBC campus in the 1200 block of Circle Drive. The victim was approached by one subject described as an African American who presented a black handgun and demanded the victim's dirt bike. The victim was not harmed and wasn't affiliated with the university. The suspect fled away from campus on Westland Blvd.

The Baltimore County Police Department is investigating this incident as it happened off the campus of UMBC.

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# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

13 July 2010

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

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## **Off-Campus Attempt Robbery**

UMBC Police received information from the Baltimore County Police that on Tuesday, 13 July 2010 at 21:45 p.m. there was a car-jacking that took place near the UMBC campus on Alan Drive near Wilkens Ave. The victim was approached by four men described as black males, one of whom is armed with a handgun. The victim was assaulted and his vehicle was forcibly taken from him.

The vehicle was subsequently recovered near the scene of the offense. The suspects are not apprehended at the vehicle.

Suspects are described as follows:

- (1) Black Male wearing black baseball cap with white lettering, black shirt, black shoulder length hair in dreadlocks.
- (2) Black Male wearing black jeans and black shirt, shaved head.
- (3) Black Male wearing white tank top short hair jeans and lots of tattoos
- (4) Black male wearing dark shirt and black Nike shoes with bicycle.

The victim is not affiliated with the university.

The Baltimore County Police Department is investigating this incident as it happened off the campus of UMBC.

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# CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

April 27, 2010

**Crime Alert from the UMBC Police Department**

**410-455-5555**

**Crime Alerts** are issued to inform the UMBC Campus of any situation that poses a potential threat to the safety of students, faculty, staff, and visitors of the campus.

**Off-Campus Robbery (Attempted robbery):** On April 27, 2010 Baltimore County Police responded to an attempted robbery at a convenience store on Maiden Choice Lane. A handgun was displayed (no further description) at this time. Direction of travel is believed to be towards Wilkins Ave.

**Suspect Description** Black male, heavy build, missing front tooth and wearing a black "hoody" and black pants.

**Vehicle Description:** Vehicle is a late model Chevrolet Malibu dark in color. Registration is unknown.

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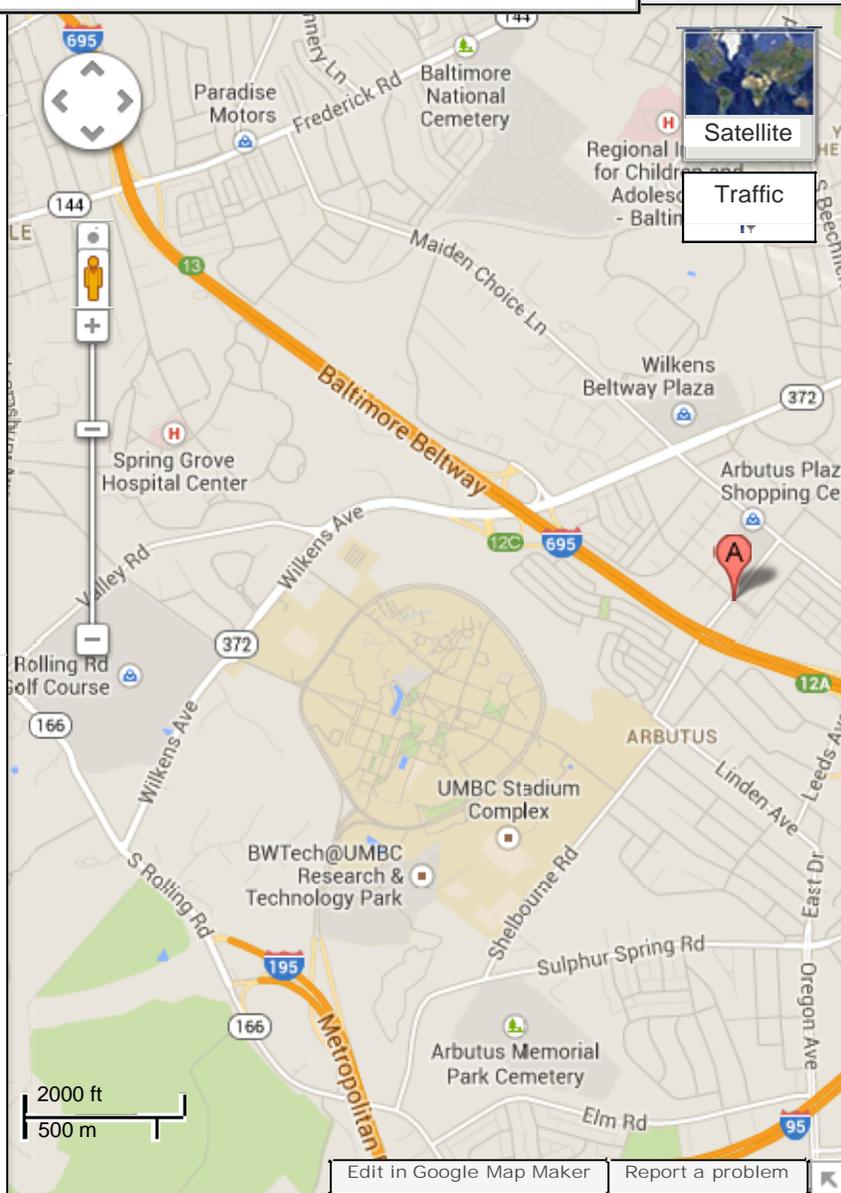
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