UNLV Police Services’ Notice:

Welcome Back, Rebels!

As the new school year is now firmly underway, the University of Nevada, Las Vegas Department of Police Services would like to welcome you to UNLV.

The UNLV Department of Police Services is the police department for your campus community, and we are here to help make this a safe community for all of us. Our department motto is “Protecting and Serving the University Community”. With your help and partnership, we can make our campus a safe and secure place for everyone.

To ensure a successful year, we would like to ask your help with the following:

- Be sure not to leave items unattended
- Remain aware of your surroundings
- Watch out for each other
- If you see something, please say something

The phrase “If you see something, say something” means that if you see a crime in progress witness someone in need of help, or see something that seems suspicious or just doesn’t seem right, you should dial (702) 895-3669 from your cell phone or 9-1-1 from a campus landline to report it to the police. If you dial 9-1-1 from your cell phone the call will initially go to Las Vegas Metro Police Dispatch before being relayed to UNLV Police Services Dispatch. If you would like a direct dial option other than (702) 895-3669 you can download UNLV’s RebelSAFE smartphone app. It contains a direct dial option to contact UNLV Police Dispatch in an emergency.

If you have information you want to share about a past crime or incident, and if it isn’t an emergency, you can call UNLV Police Services at (702) 895-3668 or dial 3-1-1 from a campus landline.

Update your contact information on the RebelSAFE Emergency Notification System (E.N.S.)

RebelSAFE E.N.S. is our emergency text messaging service for students, faculty, and staff to receive emergency alerts on their cell phones, e-mails, or other mobile devices during a campus emergency. All members of the campus community are automatically enrolled in the system to
receive e-mails. To add or update the system with your contact information in order to receive text messages you can go to https://www.unlv.edu/police/rebelsafe/update.

**Download the RebelSAFE App**

This is a free app for your smartphone. RebelSAFE allows users to report a crime tip anonymously, send their GPS location to a friend, chat with Police Dispatch over text, learn about crime tips & police services, and request a late-night safety escort to accompany them to any location on campus.

As a reminder, here are some crime prevention tips that we encourage you to consider.

**Personal Safety**

1.) Remain alert and aware of your surroundings and the people in your vicinity at all times.

2.) If you feel that you are being followed or are in danger, dial 9-1-1 immediately and try to move to a safe location.

3.) Don’t become distracted while talking on cell phones or texting.

4.) When going out, tell someone where you are going, with whom, and when you will return. Call if you are going to return late.

5.) When walking at night, travel in well-lighted areas. Avoid “shortcuts” through dark or deserted areas. Try to use the buddy system, travel with a group, or use the Friend Walk feature on your RebelSAFE app.

6.) Emergency “Blue Light” and RebelSAFE phones are located across campus. Use them to report an emergency or crime. Push the button to directly contact UNLV Police Services.

**Theft Prevention**

1.) Avoid leaving personal property unattended.

2.) Lock your doors and windows.

3.) It’s a good idea to record serial numbers and take photos of your personal belongings.

4.) Avoid carrying more cash and credit cards than you need.
5.) When carrying personal items, keep them close to your body and maintain a tight hold on them.

Vehicle Safety

1.) Lock your car. It takes only seconds for a crime to occur.

2.) Once you get into your car, lock the doors and leave the area immediately. Don’t sit in your car for extended periods while talking or texting.

3.) Try to park in a populated, well-lighted area. If possible, avoid isolated, dark places. This will deter criminals who might be interested in breaking into or stealing your vehicle, and is also a sound personal safety tactic.

4.) Avoid leaving valuable items inside your vehicle. If you must leave these items in your vehicle, secure them out of sight under the seats or in the trunk.

Our Community Outreach & Crime Prevention Units are available to answer your questions about campus safety and security as well as provide presentations to interested campus groups and departments. Call Hobreigh Fischer at (702) 895-1302 to learn more or visit our Community Outreach & Crime Prevention page.

To receive notification of Police Services news and events, you can also check us out on Facebook and on Twitter. Learn more about the department on the Police Services Website. Again, welcome to UNLV and have a great school year!

José A. Elique
Associate Vice President for Police Services/Chief of Police