STANDARD ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE

34.06.01.M0.01 Purposes and Services of the University Police Department

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Standard Administrative Procedure Statement

The University Police Department is responsible for the protection of persons and property at Texas A&M University and enforcement of the laws of the State of Texas.

Official Procedures

1. AUTHORIZATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

   The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System is authorized by the Texas Education Code to employ and commission campus peace officers.

2. MISSION

   The mission of the University Police Department is to provide a safe and secure environment through education, the cooperative spirit of all university community members and the enforcement of laws and regulations.

3. JURISDICTION

   The University Police Department exercises primary jurisdiction within the territorial limits of the main university campus and within the property and areas owned by the Texas A&M University System outside the main university campus. The University Police Department shares concurrent jurisdiction in any county in which property is owned, leased, rented, or otherwise under the control of Texas A&M University.

4. NATURE OF SERVICES

   4.1 Commissioned peace officers provide law enforcement services to all components of Texas A&M University including the academic campus and a variety of satellite
facilities throughout Brazos County 24 hours a day. Non-commissioned security officers provide regular security checks of buildings on campus.

4.2 The safety and security of our students, faculty, staff and visitors is our highest concern. The members of the University Police Department are committed to providing the necessary services to promote a safe and secure environment through, but not limited to the following:

(1) Protect life and property and preserve order on campus
(2) Respond to complaints and inquires; reports of suspicious activity; fire, gas, intrusion, holdup and panic alarms; and 911 and Emergency Telephone calls
(3) Provide Police and/or Security services on campus
(4) Assist other local law enforcement agencies when requested; and assist other law enforcement agencies with major investigations involving potential interest of Texas A&M University

4.3 Security Services, Personnel, and Equipment. Event or activity organizers and all University departments, and organizations are required to consult and receive approval from the University Police Department before contracting additional outside security service or personnel for events or activity that occurs on University property.

4.4 Request for officers at Special Events:

(1) Requests for police or security service for a special event should be submitted no less than 2 weeks prior to the event date.
(2) A minimum charge of 3 hours per requested officer(s) will be assessed for each event.
(3) A minimum of 24-hour notice is required for cancellation of the request for police services. If cancellation is not received or is received less than 24 hours before the scheduled time of the event, then the requesting department or group will be billed for minimum charge per requested officer(s).
(4) The Texas A&M University Police Department will be responsible for assessing the proper number of officers needed based on factors such as crowd size, type of event, location, etc.
(5) Additional terms and conditions as well as current rate fees are accessible on the department webpage (upd.tamu.edu).

Related Policies, Regulations or Rules

Supplements System Policy 34.06 and System Regulation 34.06.01
OFFICE OF RESPONSIBILITY: University Police Department