Off-Campus Attempted Robbery – HPD CFS # 2010-075830

TIMELY NOTIFICATION BULLETIN
Possible Threat to the Community
"Your Right to Know"
October 11, 2010

OFFENSE: Attempted Robbery
LOCATION: 700 Block of South Main Street, Harrisonburg, VA
TIME: Sunday, October 10, 2010, approximately 2:30 AM.
SUSPECT(S): Two White/Light Skinned Males, 5’8” to 6’ in Height, Both men had crew cut hairstyles, one Male was wearing an orange T-Shirt and one Male was wearing a white T-Shirt.

In compliance with the "Timely Notice" provisions of the federal Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1998 the Harrisonburg Police Department are giving notice of an incident involving an alleged attempted robbery near the area of Cantrell Avenue and South Main Street.

The Harrisonburg Police Department reports that they are investigating an incident that occurred on Sunday morning, October 10, 2010 at approximately 2:30 AM in the 700 Block of South Main Street in the City of Harrisonburg.

A 22 year old Male victim reported that he was walking parallel to Cantrell Avenue and came out in the 700 Block of South Main Street. Two males came from the area of Walnut Lane and the victim and offenders exchanged words. The victim was then assaulted by the offenders and sustained non-life threatening injuries. The offenders told the victim to take out his wallet but nothing was reported stolen.

Offenders in this case are described as Two White/Light Skinned Males, 5’8” to 6’ in Height. Both men had crew cut hairstyles, one Male was wearing an orange T-Shirt and one Male was wearing a white T-Shirt.

The case is still being actively investigated by law enforcement. Anyone with information on this incident should call Harrisonburg Crime Solvers at 540.574.5050 or the Harrisonburg Police Department Criminal Investigations Division at 540.437.2640 or contact the James Madison University Police by telephone at 540.568.6911; in person at the Public Safety Office in Anthony Seeger Hall, located at the intersection of West Grace and South Main Streets; or by e-mail to publicsafety@jmu.edu.

Members of the University community are urged to be vigilant and report any unusual circumstances and/or suspicious activities/persons immediately to law enforcement.

JMU and the City of Harrisonburg want to encourage everyone in the Community to exercise good crime prevention strategies all the time and to make these good daily habits. Close and Lock all exterior doors and windows at night and anytime the area is left unattended whether it be for 5 minutes or 5 days to go to class, go to the store, visit a friend or leave town for the holiday. Be particularly cautious about leaving ground level doors and windows unsecured and even individual room and office doors in complexes where multiple occupants have access to common areas inside the perimeter of the residential, administrative and academic facilities. This warning also extends to vehicles. Car windows should be up, car doors should be locked and valuable contents should be secured out of sight.

On-campus students are reminded to exercise safe practices in their dorms by keeping individual room and suite doors secured. Don’t share access codes with anyone and do not allow unknown individuals to piggyback into exterior doors to residence halls when you come or go. You should always report lost or missing JAC cards and/or keys to University officials as soon as possible.

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Thank You and Stay Safe!