



TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY
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WALKING SAFETY TIPS

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When Walking:

- Do not walk alone, if at all possible walk in groups.
- Walk confidently. Be alert. Notice who passes you and who is behind you.
- Walk in well-lighted areas. If it can be avoided, do not walk near bushes, alleys or areas less traveled.
- Wear clothing and shoes that give you freedom of movement.
- Do not overburden yourself with bags or packages that might make running difficult.
- Carry as little cash as possible and don't show off what you have.
- If you feel you must carry a purse, hold your purse tightly and close to your body. Keep your wallet in a front pocket, a buttoned hip pocket or an inside coat pocket.
- Do not accept rides from strangers.
- If someone in a car stops you for directions or information, always reply from a safe distance. Never get too close to the car.
- If an auto driver persistently bothers you, cross the street and walk or run in the opposite direction.
- If you feel someone is following you, turn around and check, criminals like the element of surprise, if you see them it won't be a surprise if they try something.
- When walking to your vehicle; be ready, walk with your keys in your hand, and check the back of the vehicle before getting in.

If you have any information that may lead to the identity of a person(s) responsible for any crime committed, please call the University Police at **713-313-7000**. If you wish, you may remain anonymous. You also have the options of contacting The Tiger Tip line at (713) 313-HARM (4276) or the Houston Area Crime Stoppers at (713)222-TIPS (8477).

If you become the victim of a crime, seek support after the incident. Victims can benefit from university support services after the incident. Faculty and Staff can contact the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) @ (713)500-3327; and students can call the University Counseling Center @ (713) 313-7804.

“Crime Prevention is Everyone’s Business”