

# What safety programs and resources are in place at LSU?

The following are new and existing safety programs and resources that are available on LSU's campus.

## Campus and Community Security

- LSU Police Department, which operates 24 hours each day and is housed on campus, posts its annual crime reports and "crime alerts" on its website, [www.lsu.edu/police](http://www.lsu.edu/police). This information is available to the public at any time.
- Law enforcement patrols on and around campus have been increased, with the help of the LSU Police Department, the Baton Rouge Police Department, and the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office.
- Campus lighting and landscaping have been improved to deter criminal activity.
- Additional security cameras have been installed to monitor outdoor activities.
- New call boxes will be installed throughout campus in April. Flashing lights will also be added to new and existing stations to enhance visibility. (To view the locations of the call boxes, visit LSU's Campus Safety and Health Resources website at [www.lsu.edu/safety](http://www.lsu.edu/safety).)
- The University is cooperating fully with the Multi-Agency Homicide Task Force, which has even participated in campus seminars and has "canvassed" the campus gathering new information about these crimes.
- The Department of Residential Life has card-access security systems on most of the campus housing facilities. Residents must swipe their LSU identification cards to gain access to their buildings and their floors. Residential Life has also reinstated the 24-hour front service desk in its halls.

## Resources

- The Department of Facility Services has developed the FAST Team, which allows students and employees to report broken locks, lighting concerns, and similar facility issues related to safety by contacting a 24-hour departmental hotline. **578-2327**
- The Office of Parking, Traffic, & Transportation has increased the availability of Campus Transit, the free on-campus transportation service. Campus Transit's hours have been extended and are now from 5:30 p.m.–1 a.m., Sunday–Friday. The service will also add three vehicles, thereby doubling its current supply, in April.
- An interdepartmental committee created the "Stay Safe" campaign to promote and educate the community about personal safety and crime prevention. As part of the campaign, more than 100,000 promotional pieces were produced and distributed to students and employees. The campaign also included advertisements and public service announcements in the campus media outlets, conducted focus groups to measure the effectiveness of the campaign, and developed the Campus Safety and Health Resources website ([www.lsu.edu/safety](http://www.lsu.edu/safety)). The safety committee also held numerous safety seminars for the University community.
- The Mental Health Service, a division of the Student Health Center, is hosting several workshops to help students who are struggling with the increased anxiety these events have caused. In addition, Mental Health Service and University departments have been reminding the campus community that the first three visits to the Mental Health Service are free to all full-time students and employees. For more details, visit the Student Health Center online at [www.lsu.edu/shc](http://www.lsu.edu/shc).
- The Department of Residential Life is currently accepting housing applications for those students interested in living on campus next year. For information about housing options or for an application, contact the department at 99 Grace King Hall, LSU, Baton Rouge, LA 70803; 225/578-8663; [www.lsu.edu/housing](http://www.lsu.edu/housing); or [reslife@lsu.edu](mailto:reslife@lsu.edu).

## Learning Opportunities

- Faculty have been involved in the campaign to educate students about safety.
- University departments and student organizations are sponsoring more student activities related to safety, including Student Government's presentation by national safety/security expert Robert Siciliano (Thursday, April 10, at 6 p.m. in the LSU Union Theater).
- LSU's Wellness Education Department and Police Department are continuing to offer Rape Aggression Defense Systems® classes on campus and are promoting courses that are taught in neighboring communities. There will no longer be a waiting list for the LSU sessions.
- More than 80 copies of the Baton Rouge Police Department's safety training video have been distributed throughout campus to various libraries, departments, and student organizations. These videos are available for students and employees to check out and view at home.



LSU Police: 578-3231  
BR City Police: 389-2000  
EBR Sheriff: 389-5000

Safety website: [www.lsu.edu/safety](http://www.lsu.edu/safety)