CRIME ADVISORY
Coral Gables Campus

Offense: Armed robbery

Date and Time of Offense: August 4, 2015, at approximately 12:30 AM (early this morning)

Location: 5500-blk San Amaro Drive (Northbound sidewalk)

Coral Gables Police
Dept. Case Number: 15 - 005820

Subject Information: Dark-skinned male, approx 6’ 1” tall, in his early 20’s. Last seen wearing a bright-colored Polo shirt and light-colored shorts, carrying a handgun.

Vehicle Information: 4-door, dark-colored sedan

Event Description: A male (unrelated to the University of Miami) reported to the Coral Gables police that, while walking on the northbound sidewalk on San Amaro Drive (near the IM Fields and School of Music parking lot), a dark-colored vehicle drove past him and then made an abrupt U-turn. The above-described subject then exited the vehicle on the passenger’s side and approached the victim with a firearm, demanding the victim’s property. The victim then ran onto campus, while the offender entered back into the vehicle and fled the scene travelling southbound on San Amaro Drive.

UMPD has stepped up patrol in the area and CGPD is actively investigating the incident at this time.

Earlier that same evening, a similar incident occurred west of Red Rd., a few blocks from campus, involving some UM Students who were robbed by a dark-skinned male with a firearm after being confronted in front of their off-campus residence. Wearing a ski mask, the offender demanded entry into the students’ residence and then ordered the students to hand over their property before leaving the scene shortly afterward.

MDPD is investigating the incident at this time.

Prevention Tips:

- Travel with a friend(s) or with co-worker(s) whenever possible— especially after dark. University police can provide safety escorts around the clock by calling 305-284-6666, including to and from the Gables One Tower to campus and/or the surrounding parking lots.
- UM Parking & Transportation Dept. offers the UM Safe Ride to students between 10pm and 3am, Sundays through Thursdays. Call 305-298-6128 during the semester for service to areas both on and surrounding campus.
- Avoid distractions while walking, such as texting, talking on a cell phone at length, or reading, so you can be observant and better monitor your surroundings. This includes the use of ear-buds and headphones, which can reduce your ability to hear what is happening around you.
- When travelling, stick to well-lit and well-traveled or heavily populated areas whenever possible. Keep valuables out of sight when not in use.
- Trust your instincts. If a suspicious person or vehicle seems to be following you or exhibiting strange/unusual behavior, get to the nearest safe place as soon as possible. Once safe, call the police to report the incident right away.
- If you are confronted, cooperate! Give the criminal what he/she asks for — wallet, keys, jewelry, credit cards and/or electronics. Your life is more valuable than replaceable possessions.
Anyone with information for this crime is asked to call the Coral Gables Police at 305-442-1600 or University of Miami Police at 305-284-6666.

Visit the UMPD website for more information on safety escorts, blue light telephones, self-defense programs, free smartphone safety apps, and other important personal safety information.

www.miami.edu/police

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