CRIME ALERT

December 18, 2013

Robbery near Parnassus Campus

On December 18, the UCSF Police Department was notified of a robbery incident involving a UCSF employee occurring on Monday, December 16, 2013, at approximately 11:45 p.m. The employee was robbed of a cell phone on 5th Avenue near Irving Street. The employee was approached by three suspects when one suspect struck the employee with an open hand to the face while another suspect threatened the employee. The suspects took the employee’s cell phone. The suspects then ran north on 5th Avenue. The first suspect was described as an Asian male adult, 20-25 years old, 5’8”, 175 lbs., shoulder length hair, wearing a brown jacket, dark pants and dark shoes. The second suspect was described as an Asian male adult, 20-25 years old, 5’8”, 180 lbs., wearing a tan cap, dark clothing, dark pants and rubber soled shoes. The third suspect was described as a black male adult, 30 years old, 6’2”, 160 lbs., short curly hair, wearing a dark green plaid shirt.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact Detective Larry Robertson with the UCSF Police Department at 415/476-5902.

The UCSF Police Department reminds employees, staff and students to be alert to their surroundings when walking to and from campus areas, especially during late night and early morning hours. Suspects take advantage of distracted individuals talking on cell phones, texting or listening to music. Avoid headphone and cell phone use when walking or waiting alone. Avoid taking your phone out of your pocket or purse when out in public. Be especially mindful when waiting for and riding public transportation. If you have a smartphone, be sure that any GPS tracking feature is turned on. Finally, please make use of UCSF escort services which are provided to employees, staff and students 24/7 by calling 415/476-1414.

Personal Safety Tips:
Suspects look for crimes of opportunity and certain personal safety measures can be followed to minimize your chances of becoming a victim. These are:

- Be vigilant of suspicious persons. Call UCSF PD if a suspicious person is seen loitering on campus.
- Travel in groups whenever possible, especially at night.
- Avoid poorly-lit or deserted areas when walking at night.
- Make use of the shuttle and escort services.
- Stay alert to your surroundings; avoid headphone and cell phone use when walking or waiting alone.
- If you are walking to your car, keep your car keys easily accessible, preferably in your hand.
- If you feel you are being followed, go into an open business and ask for help.
- Keep emergency numbers pre-programmed into your cell phone.
- If you are faced with demands for your money or property, especially from an armed subject, comply with their demands in the interest of your safety.

Employees, staff, and students are asked to report any suspicious persons or circumstances to UCSF PD immediately and to dial 9-911 in the case of an emergency.

Help fight crime by reporting suspicious activity to UCSF PD immediately. For emergency or in-progress events, dial 9-911 when using on-campus land lines and 415/476-6911 when using cell phones. For non-emergency calls, please dial 415/476-1414.

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Together for a Safe and Crime Free Campus

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