Welcome to the Department of Public Safety. I encourage you to visit our webpage, http://www.rowan.edu/safety browse through its sections, and if you have any questions, concerns, or complaints any of our Section Supervisors will be happy to speak with you.

Rowan offers a comprehensive public safety program for the university community. We deliver services through the following service sections: Police, Patrol, Crime Prevention, parking, and Safety & Medical Services. We focus on preventive patrols, crime prevention programming, and the physical establishment of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design standards throughout our campus.

We often use the motto: "It's In Your Interest!" This is because our effectiveness in maintaining a safe environment depends on you. Participating in the programs we offer will collectively contribute toward a safer campus environment.

Michael Kantner Assistant Vice President Of Public Safety & Emergency Management

Emergency Preparedness

Rowan is committed to providing a safe and secure learning and working environment for its students and employees. Safety, however, is everyone’s responsibility. Please take a few moments to familiarize yourself with this website and the procedures we ask you to use during an emergency.

In the event of an emergency, dial 911.

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Emergency Contacts:

Fire, Safety and Health Emergencies:

- Call 911 from a campus phone to report a fire, safety or health emergency. Dialing 911 from a campus phone will connect the caller to the Gloucester County 911 radio room. Rowan Public Safety has a direct link to the radio room and will be advised of any call.

Power and Maintenance Emergencies:

- During normal business hours (8 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.), call Facilities Operations & Maintenance at ext. 4650 to report power, leaks, broken windows, unsecured doors and any other maintenance emergency. After 4:00 p.m., call Public Safety at ext. 4911.
Rowan Alert
(Emergency Notification System for Students and Employees)

Quick and reliable communication is critical during a campus emergency. At Rowan, we rely on a number of ways to communicate to our students and employees, including email, voicemail, Internet and the media (i.e., radio, television and newspapers). The Virginia Tech tragedy, however, demonstrated that these modes are not enough. Universities must utilize the latest technologies to communicate to their constituents in minutes.

With that as a goal, Rowan encourages all of its students and employees to register with the Rowan Alert, the emergency notification system. Subscribers will receive instructions about weather related class cancellations and/or University emergencies on registered devices (i.e., cell phone, email, voicemail).

http://www.rowan.edu/selfservice

To subscribe, please visit http://www.rowan.edu/selfservice. It is important to note that although you can list 18 points of contact, the system will stop trying to send you messages as soon as you confirm receiving one of the messages. In other words, if you receive an alert message on your cell phone, and confirm that you received it when prompted, Rowan Alert will not call your other points of contact. However, if you do not answer your cell phone, Rowan Alert will call the next device.

In addition to subscribing to the Rowan Alert, you may want to register your cell phone with the Gloucester County alert system at www.gloucesteralert.com. Both programs are free and provide users information in a timely manner.

If you have any questions or concerns about the Rowan Alert, feel free to call the technology Support Desk at 856-256-4400.

Gloucester County invites Rowan to join its alert system. The Gloucester County Office of Emergency Response has invited all Rowan students and employees to register with its county-wide alert system. Messages sent will be Rowan and Glassboro specific, and include county-wide weather alerts.

To register, visit www.gloucesteralert.com.

Rowan Studies Its Emergency Preparedness Plans

Rowan University's emergency response plan was last thoroughly scrutinized and updated in 2006. Aspects of the plan, however, are always being reviewed and updated as events and experiences test University policies and procedures. Below is a summary of Rowan's state-of-emergency preparedness.

Emergency Response Plan

A group of emergency response planners maintain and regularly update a comprehensive handbook that lists protocols on how to and who should respond in a variety of situations, including:

- Loss of life
- Aggravated assault
- Terrorist threats (gunman, hostage)
- Bomb threat
- Campus/building closing (weather, utility failure, hazardous material spill, etc.)

Emergency Response Team

A core group of University employees regularly review and participate in emergency planning exercises. Depending on the level of emergency, personnel from the following areas are trained to respond:

- Public Safety
- President's Office
- Cabinet
- Student Affairs/Residence Life
- Counseling & Psychological Services*
- Health Center
- Facilities (Administration & Finance)

* Counseling & Psychological Services oversees the training and mobilization of the Critical Incident Response Team, a group of 12 nationally certified counselors—Rowan staff and faculty—who can provide services night or day.

Responding to an Emergency

Most emergencies will be reported to the 911 county-operated center. The operator will dispatch a Rowan vehicle to the scene to assess the situation. If the dispatcher deems the situation as being critical, he or she will request that
surrounding municipal police departments assist Rowan's police. If the situation is severe enough, the dispatcher will mobilize the county emergency response team, which will arrive on campus and establish an onsite command center.

Rowan responders will work with the command center personnel to provide assistance and guidance on how to work in a higher education environment. Rowan will hold a series of information sessions and post updates throughout and after an emergency.

**Emergency Response Plan Review**

A core group of the Emergency Response Team is reviewing and updating the Emergency Response Plan in light of the events at Virginia Tech. The committee will seek feedback as it introduces new policies and procedures during the coming weeks. If you would like to offer your thoughts on Rowan's plans, feel free to call Reed Layton, Senior Director of Public Safety And Police Services, at 856-256-4506.

**For more information**

Call Reed Layton, Senior Director of Public Safety And Police Services, at 856-256-4506, with questions or concerns.

**Crime Prevention**

Rowan University's Department of Public Safety is committed to the concept of Crime Prevention. The department employs a departmental involvement philosophy toward our crime prevention programs.

The Crime Prevention Section's objective is to communicate safety and security concepts throughout the campus community. Using in-person presentations as well as printed materials, Crime Prevention educates students and staff in the following areas: The Crime Prevention Triangle, Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design, Using our Safe Walk & Ride Escort Service, Using our Emergency/ Assistance Phones, Car and Bike Security, Date Rape/Sexual Assault Prevention, Rape Aggression Defense training, as well as other timely issues in public safety.

A few simple precautions or a bit of knowledge might be the difference in a student or staff member becoming a victim of a crime. Our job is to educate the campus community of these concepts and reinforce them once everyone is educated. We also attempt to locate problem areas or situations, i.e. lighting, unsecured equipment, etc. Your safety and security is of our utmost concern.

Our Crime Prevention section encourages involvement in campus safety issues. Students, Staff, Parents and prospective students may feel free to call Lieutenant Tom Flail with any questions or concerns at (856) 256-4922 or email him at Flail@Rowan.Edu

**Safe Walk & Ride**

(856)256.SAFE (7233)

The purpose of the Safe Walk and Ride program is to provide a safe escort for members of the University who would otherwise have to walk alone at night or are concerned about their personal safety. The program operates from 8:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m. while college is in session. The service provides safety escorts between the campus and private residences in close proximity to the campus.

Catch the Campus Shuttle (pilot program for fall 2009)

The Safe Walk & Ride program has been expanded to include shuttle service throughout campus. For a map of the route, click here.

**Shuttle Stops**

1. Rowan Blvd. Housing (Loading and Unloading Zone)
2. Lot J (Emergency Phone)
3. Student Center (Front of Building)
4. Townhouses (Emergency Phone at Garage)
5. Lot A (Emergency Phone at Rowan Hall Walkway)
6. Triad Apartments (Emergency Phone at Entrance to Walkway)
7. Triad Apartments (Corner of Old Heston Rd. & Bowe Blvd.)
8. Lot C/D (Emergency Phone at Corner C/D)
9. Lot M-1 (Emergency Phone at Entrance to lot)
10. Recreation Center (Emergency Phone at Walkway to Center)
11. Lot B/Edgewood Park Apartments (Emergency Phone at Corner of EPA)
12. EPA/Chestnut Hall (Emergency Phone at Corner EPA/Chestnut)
13. Mansion Park Apartments (Emergency Phone at Corner) See map

Escort Program Procedures

- To request a Safe Walk or Ride contact the Safe Walk and Ride Call Center from any campus telephone by dialing S-A-F-E (7233) or 856-256-Safe (7233).
- This program will assign calls as they are received. Please note there may be a delay in responding to your request due to a high volume of calls or unforeseen circumstances.

Restrictions

- Safe Walk and Ride cannot transport intoxicated individuals or persons in need of medical attention. Campus Police will be dispatched to assist intoxicated, sick or injured persons. A police officer will make a determination whether or not emergency medical services are needed before transportation is provided.
- Safe Walk and Ride will not drop off or pick up at any place that serves alcoholic beverages.
- Smoking, drinking, or eating is prohibited in University vehicles.
- Persons using Safe Walk and Ride may be refused service for being belligerent, aggressive or any other unsafe behavior or activity. Offenders will be referred to the Dean of Students Office.
- Safe Walk and Ride cannot accept reservations.
- Public safety reserves the right to determine the method of escort provided.
- Large groups requesting escorts will receive walking escorts or have a public safety officer follow the group to an on campus location where the student escort team may take over.
- Safe Walk and Ride may be suspended at the discretion of the officer in charge during inclement weather or other emergency circumstances.

Bike Patrol

- The Rowan University Bike Patrol Unit is comprised of thirteen officers.
- The officers are a mixture of security officers and police officers.

- The Bike Patrol Unit operates twenty-four hours a day seven days a week, weather permitting. These officers perform the same duties as other uniformed officers on campus however; they are able to navigate more easily throughout the campus.
- A few benefits to having the bike unit on campus are it promotes high visibility of the officers, which enables the campus community to feel safer while moving about the campus. It also makes the officer more approachable by the students and faculty in a time of need and it allows the officer to interact more easily with the community. The bike patrol officers are able to conduct routine patrol functions and they are able to perform numerous other functions that a patrol officer in a vehicle would not be able to complete.
- The Rowan University Bike Patrol Unit welcomes interactions with the Rowan University Community so please do not hesitate to approach a bike officer and ask questions.
- Please feel free to contact the bike patrol supervisor Patrolman Ryan Brennan with any questions about our bike patrol.
  - Patrolman Ryan Brennan
  - Phone: (856) 256-4922
  - Email: Brennan@Rowan.Edu

Rape Aggression Defense

Basic Physical Defense

What is R.A.D.?

The Rape Aggression Defense System is a program of realistic, self-defense tactics and techniques. It is a comprehensive course for women that begins with awareness, prevention, risk reduction and avoidance, while progressing on to the basics of hands-on defense training. R.A.D. is not a martial arts program. Our courses are taught by certified R.A.D. instructors and provide you with a workbook/reference manual. This manual outlines the entire physical defense program for reference and continuous personal growth. The R.A.D. System of Physical Defense is currently being taught at many Colleges and Universities. The growing, widespread acceptance of this system is primarily due to the ease, simplicity and effectiveness of our tactics, solid research, and unique teaching methodology.

The R.A.D. Systems is dedicated to teaching women defensive concepts and techniques against various types of assault, by utilizing easy, effective and
proven self-defense tactics. Our system of realistic defense will provide a woman with the knowledge to make an educated decision about resistance.

R.A.D. OBJECTIVE

"To develop and enhance the options of self defense, so they may become viable considerations to the woman who is attacked."

Safety and survival in today’s world requires a definite course of action. We provide effective options by teaching women to take an active role in their own self-defense and psychological well being.

- Somewhere in America, a woman is sexually assaulted every 2 minutes, according to the U.S. Department of Justice.
- Approximately 68% of rape victims knew their assailant. [Violence against Women. Bureau of Justice Statistics, U.S. Dept. of Justice, 1994]

R.A.D. Course Description

12 hr. Basic Physical Defense class:

Session 1
Utilizing the R.A.D. student manual, students will be involved in a discussion of risk reduction strategies, date rape, continuum of survival, defensive strategies and the basic principals of defense. We also discuss the pros and cons of defensive weaponry, how to develop a defensive mindset, understanding offensive and defensive postures, recognizing vulnerable locations and utilizing personal weapons.

Session 2
Participating students will begin the process of hand on training. The techniques utilized by R.A.D. Systems are based on simple gross motor skills and are developed to the point that they become instinctual through repetition. Students will have the opportunity to use these techniques in dynamic impact training by striking padded equipment held by the instructors. All techniques target a single attacker.

Session 3
Participating students will continue to refine the skills previously learned with "practice, practice and practice."

Session 4
Students will then participate in "simulated assault" scenarios with R.A.D. instructors, who along with participants, wear state-of-the-art protective gear specifically designed for this training. Women have the opportunity to utilize their skills in a safe training environment.

Contact
Phone: 856-256-4922   Ptl. Rachel Baum
Sergeant Carrie Rathof   gerrard@rowan.edu
rathof@rowan.edu

Inv. Siobhan McClintock
mcclintock@rowan.edu

Victim Witness Services

The mission of the Rowan University Department of Public Safety is to enhance quality of life by providing the entire University community with a safe and secure environment. However, there are times when members of the
Rowan Community are victimized. The Rowan Police Department Victim Witness Services Unit is committed to support victims and witnesses by keeping them educated and informed about the criminal justice system. From our initial point of contact with a victim, through the final disposition of their case, we will make every effort to ensure that victims and witnesses are treated with dignity and compassion.

New Jersey Victims Bill of Rights

- To be treated with dignity and compassion by the criminal justice system.
- To be informed about the criminal justice process.
- To be free from intimidation.
- To have inconveniences associated with participation in the criminal justice process minimized to the fullest extent possible.
- To make at least one telephone call from the police station provided the call is reasonable in both length and location called.
- To medical assistance if, in the judgment of the law enforcement agency, medical assistance appears necessary.
- To be notified if presence in court is not needed.
- To be informed about available remedies, financial assistance and social services.
- To be compensated for their loss whenever possible.
- To be provided a secure, but not necessarily separate, waiting area during court proceedings.
- To be advised of case progress and final disposition.
- To the prompt return of property when no longer needed as evidence.
- To submit a written statement about the impact of the crime to a representative of the county prosecutor's office which shall be considered prior to the prosecutor's final decision concerning whether formal criminal charges will be filed; and
- To make, prior to sentencing, an in-person statement directly to the sentencing court concerning the impact of the crime. This statement is to be made in addition to the statement permitted for inclusion in the persistence report.

K-9 Unit

Rowan University is committed in providing it's students, faculty and quests with different professional Police services. Recently the University has started a Police K-9 unit. The unit consists of two fully certified Police K-9 handlers and two certified K-9's. The two German Shepard's are both trained in explosive detection and crossed trained in patrol work. Both K-9's are capable of detecting over 20 explosive compounds and can also perform valuable services such as article(s) retrieval, tracking lost person(s) or suspect(s) and can perform building searches to locate hidden suspects. Both dogs are also trained in criminal apprehension.

Training involved with this assignment is constant and entails 100's of hours to obtain certification. The University is better prepared for events and incidents because of having such a special detail and the University community will benefit for having such services.

Investigations

The Rowan University detective bureau is staffed by specially trained officers who are responsible for the investigation of all criminal acts reported to the Rowan University Department of Public Safety. The detective bureau consists of two detectives and one lieutenant. A detective is on call twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. Detectives conduct follow up investigations in an effort to detect and apprehend criminal offenders. In addition to their investigative duties, detectives maintain property and evidence, monitor the crime tip hotline, and provide information of the many resources offered by Rowan University.

Detectives are trained in many areas such as Bias Crime Investigation, Crime Scene processing and Management, County Intelligence Sharing, Gang Awareness, and Narcotics Investigations & Identification.
The Rowan University detectives are dedicated to the well being of the Rowan community. A detective is on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

If you are aware of any information that may assist in an investigation, please contact our ANONYMOUS crime tip hotline; **(856) 256-7428** please provide as much information as possible, such as crime date, time, suspect’s name, and / or location. Any information will be kept confidential.

Contact Information:

Detective McClintock (856) 256-4563  
Email: McClintock@Rowan.Edu

Detective Fennal (856) 256-4991  
Email: Fennal@Rowan.Edu

**A BRIEF HISTORY OF CAMPUS CRIME REPORTING**

In 1990, Congress authorized the Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act. This act required all colleges and universities to disclose campus crime statistics and other public safety and security information. In 1998, the act was renamed to the “Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act” in memory of a student who was slain in her dorm room in 1986. In essence the act requires the colleges and universities to collect, report and disseminate crime information to the campus community with the goal of maintaining a safe environment for students to learn, faculty to teach and for staff and administrators to work by increasing the awareness of crimes committed on campus. It is intended to provide students and their families as consumers of higher education with accurate, complete and timely information so that informed decisions can be made. In August, 2008, additional revisions and regulations were enacted under the title of the Higher Education Opportunity Act or HEOA. These include fire safety reporting, missing person procedures, hate crime reporting and emergency response and evacuation procedures. All of the new and revised requirements are being met or exceeded by the University.

The Rowan University Police Department, in conjunction with the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, the Office of the Dean of Students and the Office of Housing and Residential Life, share the responsibility for this report at Rowan University.

**THE CLERY ACT**

The Rowan University Police Department submits Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) monthly to the New Jersey State Police, Uniform Crime Reporting Unit. These reports as well as reports received from other campus divisions and offices are the means by which we gather our crime statistics for Cleary Act compliance.
**Clery Offenses**

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Reported in accordance with Uniform Crime Reporting procedures and the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act

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C = Occurred in a non-campus building or property (owned or controlled by a recognized student organization, or an off-campus educational property owned or controlled by Rowan University)  
D = Occurred on adjacent public property
Daily Crime and Fire Log

The Public Safety Department maintains a combined Daily Crime and Fire Log of all incidents reported to the Public Safety Department. This includes all crimes, fire-related incidents and other serious incidents that occur on campus, including areas patrolled by the University Police and the non-campus buildings or properties, on public property or within the Borough of Glassboro.

The Daily Crime and Fire Log includes the incident type, date incident is reported, date and time of occurrence, and general location of each reported incident type, as well as the disposition of the incident, if this information is known. The Public Safety Department posts specific incidents in the Daily Crime and Fire Log within two (2) business days of receiving a report of an incident and reserves the right to exclude reports from a log in certain circumstances as permitted by law.

The Crime Lot and Fire Log are available for public inspection online at www.rowan.edu/pubsafety/information/crime_log.

The Public Safety Department also submits the Daily Crime and Fire Log to “The Whit”, to be published weekly.

Annual Fire Safety Report

The Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) requires two (2) new safety-related requirements by institutions which participate in federal student financial aid programs:

1. Fire Log: Institutions must keep a fire log that states the nature of the fire, date, time, and general location of each fire in on-campus student housing facilities. Rowan University complies with this rule by including all fire-related incidents in the Daily Crime and Fire Log. To view the most recent seven (7) days of information please visit the DPS website for daily crime and fire-related incidents at: http://www.rowan.edu/safety/information/crime_log

2. Annual Fire Safety Report: Institutions with on-campus student housing facilities must publish annually a fire safety report that provides information on campus fire safety practices and standards. Rowan University complies with this regulation by including all fire-related incidents at on-campus student housing facilities as part of the Annual Security & Fire Safety Report. Information contained in this annual fire safety combined report includes: The number and cause of fires at all on-campus buildings which include all student housing facilities; number of fire-related deaths; related injuries; value of fire-related property damage; information on evacuation procedures; fire safety education and training programs; fire safety systems in each student housing facility; number of regular mandatory supervised fire drills; and policies on portable electrical appliance, smoking and open flames. The Annual Security & Fire Safety Report must include three (3) years of data.

If a fire occurs in any building, community members should immediately notify the Gloucester County Emergency Response Center, for the fire department by dialing 9-1-1; and if they can do so safely, Rowan’s Department of Public Safety (856) 256-4911 from a land line or from any cell phone. Public Safety will coordinate a response. Rowan has a direct dial phone line to the Glassboro Fire Department and Gloucester County Emergency Response Center and can communicate with the fire department quickly.

If a member of the Rowan community finds evidence of a fire that has been extinguished, and the person is not sure whether Public Safety has already responded, the community member should immediately notify Rowan’s Public Safety Department (856) 256-4911 from a landline or from any cell phone to investigate and document the incident.

The building’s fire alarm system will activated in the event of an actual fire inside a campus building. Community members are required to heed an activated fire alarm system, and evacuate a building immediately. Use the nearest available exit to evacuate the building. Gather outside at either the primary or the secondary pre-designated area, this will ensure that all the occupants of the building are accounted for. Each member of the Rowan University community should familiarize themselves with the exits in each building.

When a fire alarm is activated, the elevators should not be used to evacuate the building. Use the stairs to safely evacuate the building. If you are caught in the elevator, push the emergency phone button. The emergency
phones in each elevator connect directly to the Communications officer in
the Public Safety Communication Center.

**Fire Protection Equipment/Systems**

All Rowan University buildings are equipped with automatic fire detection
and alarm systems which are monitored 24 hours a day 365 days a year.
Along with that all residential buildings are equipped with fire sprinkler
systems.

**Health and Safety Inspections**

The Resident Life & University Housing staff performs residential
inspections throughout the semester. Residents are notified beforehand of
the inspection process. The inspections are conducted to identify safety
violations as well as conditions, which may be detrimental to the health or
well-being of the University community.

These inspections include a visual examination of electrical cords,
placement of televisions and other electronic equipment. In addition, each
room is examined for the presence of prohibited items such as candles,
halogen lamps, unauthorized cooking appliances, pets, etc. Rooms are also
examined for prohibited activity such as removal of door closers,
unauthorized door locking or alarm mechanisms, removal of security
screens or other equipment, tampering with fire or life safety equipment,
etc. This inspection also includes a general assessment of cleanliness of the
room, including food and waste storage.

**Fire Definitions**

**Fire:** Rapid oxidation of combustible material accompanied by heat, light
and smoke of combustible material, which is found outside of its normal
appliance, whether or not it is extinguished prior to arrival of emergency
response personnel.

**Fire-related Deaths:** Number of persons who were fatalities because of a
fire incident, including death resulting from a natural or accidental cause
while involved in fire control, attempting a rescue, or persons escaping
from the fire scene (an individual who dies within one (1) year of injuries
sustained as a result of a fire).

**Fire-related Injuries:** Number of persons receiving injuries from fire-
related incidents, including an injury from a natural or accidental cause who
received medical treatment at a local medical facility. This includes first
responders attempting to control the fire, attempting a rescue, or persons
escaping from the fire scene. Persons may include students, faculty, staff,
visitors, firefighters, or any other individuals

**Estimated U.S. Dollar Loss Related to Fire Incidents:** Estimated total
U.S. dollar loss of both contents and structure or property destroyed
because of a fire incident, not loss of business.

**Evacuation Procedures Posted:** When a fire alarm is activated, evacuation
is mandatory. DO NOT use elevators; evacuate the building using the
nearest available exit and proceed to the pre-designated area to begin an
accountability and assessment process.

**Fire Alarms Monitored:** Fire alarms are monitored 24 hours a day, seven
days a week, 52 weeks a year for the Public Safety Department by off-site
central station.

**Fire Safety Training Programs Delivered:** Number of training programs
delivered by Fire Prevention and Safety Officer or other responsible
persons of authority within the University to occupants of residence halls,
concerning fire prevention and preparedness.

**Buildings Equipped with Fire Alarm Systems and Smoke Detectors:**
Buildings that have functional fire alarm systems and smoke detectors
installed. Please note, all residence halls, are equipped with a functional
fire alarm system and smoke detectors.

**Buildings Protected with Automatic Sprinkler System Throughout:**
Indicates an automatic sprinkler system protects all areas of a building.
Please note, all residence halls, are equipped with sprinkler systems
throughout.  Please note, all residence halls, are equipped with a functional
fire alarm system and smoke detectors.

**Emergency Evacuation Drills (formerly known as Fire Drills):** The
number of supervised scheduled drills or actual events at campus residence
halls, that are facilitated and certified by the Public Safety, for the New
Fire Policies for On-Campus Student Housing Facilities

1. Portable Electrical Appliances: Hot plates, halogen lamps, immersion coils, air conditioners, freezers, dishwashers, washing machines, and open-coil appliances are prohibited in University residences as they pose a threat of electrical overload and/or fire.

Space heaters may only be used when installed by Facilities Department or the Student Housing Department.

Microwave ovens of 700 watts or less, computers, stereos, televisions, radio, electric irons with safety cutoffs, non-commercial hairdryers, and other similar appliances are permitted, unless specifically prohibited by the residence staff. All appliances must have a manufacture’s label that shows the electrical rating and listing by a nationally recognized testing laboratory (NRTL) such as FM Approvals LLC (FM), Intertek Testing Services NA, Inc. (ITSNA) (formerly ETL) MET Laboratories, Inc. or Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL).

We strongly recommend the use of surge protectors(s). Extension cords are prohibited in all University housing facilities.

Caution should be taken to prevent fire hazards resulting from excessive use of appliances and over-dependency on power strips.

Lamps: A Special Safety Advisory – The use of halogen lamps is prohibited.

- Carefully read all safety instructions and warnings that accompany any lamp.
- Never use bulbs of a higher wattage or of a different style than is recommended by the manufacture’s instruction.
- Never remove or discard a bulb that is hot to the touch; don’t try to operate a lamp that has damaged or missing parts.
- Do not place lamps near clothing, draperies, or bedding, as incidental contact with the lamp bulb could ignite the material. Keep lamps away from windows, bunk beds and closets.
- NEVER place material such as towels or clothing on top of lamps.
- Avoid placing lamps in locations where they may be knocked over.
- Always remember to turn off or unplug any lamp when changing bulbs or when leaving your room/apartment.
- Taking proper precautions and guarding against potential hazards posed by lamps will help ensure community safety.

2. Smoking: Smoking, including hookahs and other smoking paraphernalia, is prohibited in all residential building, and outdoors within 50 feet.

3. Open Flames: Fire or smoke producing articles, such as Bunsen burners, portable stoves, kerosene lamps, cut trees, incense and candles are prohibited in residence. Possession of potpourri burning units or other fire-starting devices/substances is prohibited in residences, as is their use in residential areas or adjacent outdoor space without staff supervision. Additionally BBQ grills, etc are prohibited unless prior approval is granted by the Safety Services Office.
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Missing Student/Persons Procedure

1. Initial Complaint received.
2. Preliminary investigation interviews conducted.
3. Completion of missing person form and make entry into National Crime Information Center.
4. An entry and broadcast will be placed into the New Jersey TRAK System.
5. Information disseminated to additional law enforcement Agencies.
6. Contact the individual identified by such student as their emergency contact person in the event such student is determined to be missing for a period of more than 24 hours.
7. If such a student is under 18 years of age and not emancipated, their custodial parent or legal guardian will be contacted immediately and they will be put into the Amber Alert system.
8. A Rowan Text Alert message and email will be sent out to the Rowan Community.
9. A new release will be generated.
11. Conduct follow up investigation.

Domestic Violence

It is the policy of the Rowan Police Department to reduce the incidence and severity of Domestic Violence, protect victims of DV, and provide them with support through a combination of law enforcement and community services. It is the goal of the Rowan Police Victim Witness Services Unit to educate and empower victims of Domestic Violence within the Rowan Community.

Did you know?

- 1 in every 4 women will experience Domestic Violence in her lifetime
- 40% of all 911 calls are DV related
- 2 million women are injured in the United States every year as a result of DV
- 2,000 women are killed in the United States every year as a result of DV

Characteristics of Safe and Healthy Relationships

- Partnerships
  - Shared responsibilities
- Economic Equality
  - Freedom to decide issues of work, school, and money
- Emotional Honesty
  - Feel safe to admit and share fears and insecurities
- Sexual Respect
  - Accept that “no” means “no”
- Physical Safety
  - Respect partner’s physical space
  - Express self nonviolently
- Supportive, Trusting
  - Listen and understand
  - Value partner’s opinions
- Respectful
  - Respect right to differing feelings, friends, and activities
  - Support partner’s goals

Characteristics of Abusive Relationships

- Domination
  - Abuser makes all decisions
  - Servant/master relationship
- Economic Control
  - Deny job freedom
  - Withhold money
- Emotional Manipulation
  - Use jealousy, passion, stress, and frustration to justify unacceptable actions
- Sexual Abuse
  - Force partner into sexual acts that are humiliating or degrading
  - Forcing partner into sexual activity against his or her will
- Physical Abuse
  - Hitting, choking, kicking, pinching, pulling hair, poking, twisting arms, tripping, pushing, slapping, biting, restraining, or using weapons against partner
- Controlling
  - Name calling, engaging in “mind games”
  - Isolating partner from friends and loved ones – “I just want you all to myself”
- Intimidating
  - Charming in public, menacing in private
Destroying property, harming pets
• Making light of abuse – “You’re just too sensitive”

Dispelling Domestic Violence Myths

Domestic Violence only happens between married couples or people that live together.

False. Domestic Violence can occur between college roommates, people in heterosexual dating relationships, people in homosexual dating relationships, and between people that were previously in a dating relationship. DV can also occur between two people that have a child in common or are expecting a child in common.

Domestic Violence is limited to physical abuse.

False. Domestic Violence can be anything that makes you feel threatened, scared, or unsafe. It can include physical violence, emotional abuse, isolation, economic abuse, intimidation, and coercion and threats.

Victims of Domestic Violence are always females.

False. Males have the same rights under the Prevention of Domestic Violence Act that females do. Males can be victimized by their female spouse or girlfriend, by a same sex partner, or by their college roommate. Instances of DV in which the victim was a male are often under reported, but are still taken very seriously by all police departments.

Domestic Violence FAQs

What is the legal definition of Domestic Violence?

Domestic violence means the occurrence of one or more of the following criminal offenses upon a person protected under the Prevention of Domestic Violence Act:

• Homicide
• Assault
• Terroristic threats
• Kidnapping
• Criminal Restraint
• False imprisonment
• Sexual assault
• Lewdness
• Criminal sexual contact
• Criminal mischief
• Burglary
• Criminal trespass
• Harassment
• Stalking

Who is protected under the Prevention of Domestic Violence Act?

You are protected under the PDVA if one of the above offenses was committed by:

• Your spouse
• Your former spouse
• Someone that you are dating
• Someone that you were previously dating
• A present household member (this includes college roommates)
• A former household member
• Someone with whom you have a child in common

*The person committing the act of domestic violence must also be over the age of 18, or legally emancipated.

What are my rights as a Victim of Domestic Violence?

As a victim of Domestic Violence, you are entitled to all of the rights listed in the NJ Victim’s Bill of Rights. The Victim’s Bill of Rights can be found on the Rowan Victim Witness Services homepage.

As a DV victim, you also have the right to apply for a Temporary Restraining Order at any time, and the right to file criminal complaints against your abuser.

Should I call the police if I am experiencing Domestic Violence?

YES! The Rowan Police Department takes Domestic Violence very seriously. Our officers will respond immediately to any call regarding Domestic Violence; it is the primary duty of our responding officers to enforce the law and to protect the victim in any DV situation.
When the police come, will anyone be arrested?

Under the Prevention of Domestic Violence Act, the police must arrest the person that you state perpetrated the acts of domestic violence against you if any of the following conditions apply:

1. You exhibit any signs of injury or have a complaint of pain
2. The perpetrator has violated or is in violation of a current restraining order
3. There is probable cause that a weapon was involved in the commission of the act of DV
4. There is a warrant for the perpetrator’s arrest on any other charge

Can I call the police even if the act of Domestic Violence occurred several days or weeks ago?

Yes. For your safety, we encourage people who are experiencing Domestic Violence to call the police as soon as safely possible. If you were unable to contact the police or were too afraid to contact the police at the time the violence occurred, you can still make a report later.

If the act of Domestic Violence occurred in another jurisdiction, can I still make a report at the Rowan Police Department?

As a victim of Domestic Violence, it is your right to file a police report in any of the following locations:

1. In the jurisdiction where the act of DV occurred
2. In the jurisdiction where the defendant resides
3. In the jurisdiction where the victim resides or is sheltered – this means if you are a Rowan student, living on campus, you can make a report with the Rowan Police (even if the act of DV was committed somewhere else)

What is a Restraining Order?

There are two different types of restraining orders – Temporary Restraining Orders (TRO) and Final Restraining Orders (FRO). Both types of restraining orders are legally enforceable documents that prohibit your abuser from having contact with you. When a restraining order of any type is in effect, your abuser cannot see you, or contact you in any way. If your abuser violates the restraining order, he or she will be arrested.

A TRO is just what it sounds like – temporary. A victim of Domestic Violence can apply for this type of restraining order at any time. If granted, the TRO will remain in effect until a scheduled hearing with a Family Court judge. At this hearing you will explain to the judge why you filed for a TRO, and the judge will decide whether or not you need a Final Restraining Order. Your abuser will also be at the FRO hearing and will have a chance to give his/her side of the story to the judge. If the judge grants a FRO, that order will remain in effect permanently (unless you choose to have the order dismissed).

How can I get a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO)?

There are two ways to apply for a TRO. On Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30am – 3:30pm, you can go directly to the Family Court for your county. Since Rowan University is in Gloucester County, our Family Court is located in Woodbury at the following address:

2 South Broad Street
Woodbury, NJ 08096
(856) 686-7410

Once you arrive at the courthouse, tell a court employee that you are there to apply for a TRO. They will give you papers to fill out and provide assistance to you. If you are not comfortable going to the courthouse by yourself, or if you are confused about the process, contact the Rowan Police Department at (856) 256-4922. A Rowan police officer will assist you in filing for a TRO.

If you wish to apply for a TRO at anytime other than regular business hours, contact the Rowan Police Department. An officer will assist you in applying for a TRO over the phone. The officer will take a statement from you regarding the incident of domestic violence that prompted you to apply for the TRO. The officer will then contact a Municipal Court Judge via phone. The judge will speak to you briefly on the phone, and will then make a determination of whether or not to grant your TRO.

When your TRO is granted, you will be given a court date to appear before a judge in Family Court. At the Family Court hearing, the judge will determine whether or not to grant a Final Restraining Order.

When I go to court for my Final Restraining Order hearing, what should I bring with me?
When you go to court to seek a Final Restraining Order, bring a copy of any police reports pertaining to Domestic Violence between you and your abuser. If you have photographs of injuries that you sustained due to physical abuse, bring the photographs with you. If there were any witnesses to the abuse, they may accompany you to court as well. If you would like a police officer to accompany you to court, contact the Rowan Police Department at (856) 256-4922 and speak with Ptl. Rachel Baum.

When I go to court for my Final Restraining Order, do I have to testify?

Yes. At the final hearing you will need to tell the judge what your abuser did to you that caused you to file for a TRO. You will also have a chance to tell the judge if there have been previous incidents of Domestic Violence between you and your abuser.

Will I have to see my abuser at the Final Restraining Order hearing?

Your abuser will be at the FRO hearing, and he will also have to testify in front of the judge. There will be protection for you in the courthouse and the courtroom. If you are fearful because your abuser is there, tell the court officer. If you need an escort out of the courthouse because you are afraid of the defendant, ask the court officer to get a sheriff’s officer to escort you. If you would like a Rowan Police officer to accompany you to court, contact the Rowan Police Department at (856) 256-4922 and speak with Ptl. Rachel Baum.

What do I do if I want to drop my Temporary Restraining Order?

If you want to drop your TRO, you still must go to court on your scheduled date. You will be asked your reasons for wanting to dismiss the complaint. The judge will want to know that you are doing this without threats or pressure from someone else. If the judge is convinced that this is your own decision, the TRO will be dismissed.

If your abuser, or anyone acting on behalf of your abuser, is pressuring you to drop your TRO it is extremely important for you to contact the police immediately!!

If I have a Restraining Order in effect that was issued in another state, does it still protect me in New Jersey?

Yes. An out of state restraining order is valid in New Jersey as long as it meets the following criteria:

1. Written order must contain your name and your abuser’s name
2. Order must not be expired
3. The defendant either appeared in court or was given notice to appear in court

If you are a Rowan student or staff member and you have an existing out of state restraining order, contact the Rowan Police Department and make us aware of the order. It is a good idea to submit a copy of your order with our department so that we can keep it on file. You should also keep a copy of your order with you at all times.

Community Services

Services Empowering Rights of Victims Program (SERV)

SERV is a program which is run by the Center for Family Services, Inc (a nonprofit human services agency). SERV provides 24-hour emergency safe housing, counseling, support groups, outreach, advocacy and accompaniments for victims of violence.

SERV provides free counseling services to victims of violence, and also will provide an advocate to accompany victims and witnesses to court appearances.

SERV also runs an anonymous 24-hour crisis hotline at 1-866-295-SERV (7378). Victims of violence can call this hotline 24/7 and speak to a crisis counselor anonymously.

New Jersey Victims of Crime Compensation Board (VCCB)

The New Jersey VCCB may help ease the financial burden faced by crime victims. Services covered by the VCCB include: benefits for mental health counseling, medical bills, loss of earnings, funeral expenses (up to $5000), crime scene clean-up, relocation expenses, child care/day care services, victims’ rights attorney fees, domestic help, and other victim services related to crimes. For further information on filing procedure time requirement and benefit restrictions, please contact the VCCB by phone at 1-877-658-2221 or visit the VCCB website at:

www.njvictims.org
Rowan University Services available to victims/witnesses

Rowan University Department of Public Safety

The Department of Public Safety is staffed by police, security, and dispatch personnel 24/7. For non-emergency situations, contact the Public Safety Communications Center at 856-256-4922. In an emergency situation, always dial 9-1-1.

Department of Public Safety Victim Witness Services

The Victim/Witness Services Unit assists members of the Rowan Community who have been victims or witnesses of a crime. It is the goal of this unit to provide assistance to victims/witnesses as they deal with the criminal justice system.

Contact Ptl. Rachel Baum, Victim Witness Coordinator, for additional information regarding the Victim/Witness Services Unit.

Rowan EMS

Introduction
Rowan University Emergency Medical Services (EMS) has been providing exceptional pre-hospital basic life support (BLS) care to the students of Rowan University since 1978. We pride ourselves in being a tight-knit group of student volunteers who share in a common goal to help others.

Equipment
Currently Rowan EMS operates 2 ambulances and 1 quick response vehicle. Our primary ambulance (2682) is a 2009 GMC Horton 453 Type III ambulance. 2681, our secondary ambulance is a 1997 Ford Horton Mini-Mod Type III ambulance. The squad also operates a 1996 Chevy Caprice Quick Response Vehicle.

Shifts
We respond to approximately 600 requests for service a year and handle many types of emergencies. Shifts at Rowan EMS run from 6:30pm (1830 hours) until 6:00am (0600 hours) Sunday through Thursday. We have weekend crews running in 12-hour shifts from Friday night at 1800hrs until Sunday night at 1800 hours. During the day hours Rowan EMS runs all-call where any available members respond.

Standby
In addition to regular crews, Rowan EMS performs standbys at all men’s soccer and football games. During large scale events Rowan EMS also provides bike units and walking units where applicable. Each year Rowan EMS is the primary EMS provider for graduation, move-in, homecoming, and other large events.

CPR
In addition to performing EMS functions our squad also offers CPR training for the University Community. Anyone interested in becoming CPR trained should contact a squad officer.

Training
We actively train each month to provide the best care for our patients. Each year the squad attends the National Collegiate EMS Foundation Conference. We also have monthly drills to enhance our skills. New members receive driver training and/or EMT training at no cost to themselves.

http://www.rowan.edu/safety/ems/

Rowan Counseling and Psychological Services

Individual counseling is an opportunity to speak privately and confidentially with a trained counselor about personal concerns and/or emotional problems, as well as to facilitate personal growth. The services of the Rowan CPS are free to all Rowan students.

All counseling records are confidential and do not become part of students’ educational records. Communications between counselor and client are privileged, confidential, and safeguarded.

For more information regarding Rowan Counseling and Psychological Services, visit the following link:

http://www.rowan.edu/studentaffairs/counseling/index.html