



2.4.3 Timely Warning Policy

The University of San Diego Department of Public Safety is responsible for issuing timely warnings in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Act, 20 U.S.C. 1092(f). Timely warnings will be issued in response to reported crimes committed either on campus or, in some cases, off campus that, in the judgment of the University, constitute an ongoing or continuing threat to students and employees.

Anyone with information believed to warrant a timely warning should promptly report the circumstances to the Department of Public Safety by phone at (619) 260-2222 or in person at the dispatch center in the Hughes Administration Center Room 150. The Department of Public Safety will consult, as appropriate and necessary, with other university officials regarding whether a timely warning should be issued. The decision to issue a timely warning shall be made on a case-by-case basis after consideration of the available facts, including factors such as the nature of the crime, the continuing danger or risk to the campus community, and the possible risk of compromising law enforcement efforts. Timely warnings are considered for the following classifications of reported crimes: criminal homicide, sex offenses, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft and arson. Timely warnings may also be issued for other reported crimes as deemed appropriate under the circumstances. The decision will be made in compliance with the Clery Act and in an effort to prevent similar crimes from occurring.

When a determination is made that a timely warning should be issued, the Department of Public Safety will take appropriate steps to ensure timely notification of the campus community. Options for notification include, but are not necessarily limited to, the university's mass notification system (phone, text and email), outdoor notification system, campus-wide e-mails, physical postings on doors and bulletin boards, mysandiego.edu, the Vista newspaper, or the Department of Public Safety website. The warnings will include some or all of the following information: the date, time and location of the reported crime; a summary of the incident; a description of the suspect and/or vehicle, if available; and any other special instructions or incident specific safety tips.

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