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Of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act
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1. Message from the Chief of Police

Dear University of Colorado Boulder community:

Your safety and security are the primary focus of the members of the University of Colorado Boulder Police Department. Our commissioned officers and civilian employees work diligently to make our campus a place where we can shape tomorrow’s leaders, lead the nation’s universities in innovation, and positively impact humanity.

This Annual Security and Fire Safety Report has been produced in accordance with the requirements of the federal Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act and provides information you can use to help keep yourself and your property safe. I encourage you to become familiar with this guide. Read it and learn how you can be more aware of your surroundings, prevent crime, and report suspicious incidents to police.

CU Boulder Police Department is a full-service police agency providing community-based public safety services to a diverse community of over 34,000 students and nearly 8,000 faculty and staff members. Every year, the department responds to approximately 20,000 calls for service. Patrolling the campus by foot, bicycle, motorcycle, and vehicle, CUPD works diligently with the CU Boulder community and surrounding partner agencies to ensure a prompt and coordinated law enforcement response.

Notwithstanding the campus’s development of well-rehearsed plans to deal with major emergencies that may threaten the health and safety of our community, your safety and security are enhanced when you are well informed and take appropriate action to keep yourself safe. Our website, serves as an excellent resource on emergency preparedness and crime prevention.

CUPD is here to serve and protect you. We want to hear your questions and concerns. Together, we can ensure that our campus community remains safe.

You may request a printed copy of this report by calling CUPD at 303-492-8168.

Sincerely,

Doreen Jokerst
Chief of Police
University of Colorado Boulder Police Department
2. How to Reach the CU Boulder Police Department

Emergency: 911
Non-Emergency Phone: 303-492-6666
Support Services: 303-492-7311
Emergency Management: 303-492-7418
Police Services: 303-492-8168
Records: 303-492-5115
Website: http://www.colorado.edu/police

On Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, and Snapchat as CUBoulderPolice
3. Clery Act Requirements

What is the Clery Act?

Signed into law in 1990, the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act) is a federal law that requires colleges and universities to disclose certain timely and annual information about campus crime and security policies. All post-secondary public and private institutions participating in federal student aid programs must adhere to these regulations. The Clery Act was championed by Howard and Connie Clery after their daughter Jeanne was murdered at Lehigh University in 1986.

To ensure compliance with the Clery Act, CU Boulder must meet certain obligations required by federal law. These obligations include: (1) policy disclosure; (2) records collection and retention; and (3) information dissemination.

1. Policy Disclosure

CU Boulder must provide the campus community and the public with accurate statements of current policies and practices regarding procedures for students and others to report criminal actions or other emergencies on campus, security of and access to campus facilities, and campus law enforcement.

2. Records Collection and Retention

CU Boulder is required to keep campus records of crimes reported on campus to campus security authorities, make a reasonable good faith effort to obtain certain crime statistics from appropriate law enforcement agencies to include in the annual security report, and keep a daily crime log open for public inspection.

3. Information Dissemination

To provide members of the campus community with information needed to make informed personal safety decisions, CU Boulder must provide: 1) a “timely warning” of any Clery Act crime that is considered by the University to represent a serious or continuing threat to the safety of students and employees; 2) a log of all crimes reported to the CU Boulder Police Department occurring within its patrol jurisdiction and ensure public access to the crime log during normal business hours; and 3) publish an annual security and fire safety report, make the report available to all current students and employees, and ensure the annual security and fire safety report is made available to prospective students and employees.
4. Overview of the CU Boulder Police Department

Statement Addressing CUPD Mission, Law Enforcement Authority and Officer Training

1. Vision

We will define a national standard as one of the leaders among our peers in delivering progressive and innovative University public safety services.

2. Mission

The University of Colorado Boulder Police Department will become a cohesive organization, achieving a significant improvement in the quality of the public safety services we provide as assessed by our constituents.

3. Values

We are exclusively qualified to provide University public safety services that are:

- Operationally effective and efficient;
- Considerate of the unique relationship between the University and its stakeholders framed in the backdrop of higher education;
- Integral to the growth and maturation of our students; and
- Sensitive to the unique experiences within the University culture and environment.

4. Authority

CUPD proudly serves a community that works and studies on approximately 786 acres of property. With a student enrollment of over 34,000 students and nearly 8,000 employees, CUPD provides service for a combined population that roughly equates in size to the Colorado cities of Littleton or Parker. CUPD officers are commissioned both through the provisions of Colorado Revised Statutes, Title 24, Article 7.5, and by the city of Boulder. In addition to state and municipal laws, the Board of Regents further delegates authority to CUPD officers to enforce CU Boulder rules and regulations. CUPD officers have full authority to make arrests and issue summonses. CUPD employs non-sworn Community Safety Officials to monitor building access and residence halls. Community Safety Officials and other campus security personnel do not have arrest authority, but they enforce CU Boulder rules and regulations, working in collaboration with police officers.

CUPD remains a progressive law enforcement agency and actively participates in a multitude of campus crime prevention programs, special events, and safety-oriented committees and projects each year. CUPD maintains strong organizational values that emphasize ethical behavior, commitment to community service, appreciation for diversity and principled decision-making.

5. Officer Training

CUPD officers receive the same training as other full-service police officers in Colorado; they must successfully complete an authorized Colorado Law Enforcement Training Academy program with a minimum of 548 hours of instruction. All CU Boulder officers must also successfully complete an on-the-job police training program under the supervision of experienced officers and supervisors. This training lasts approximately four months and provides additional training for security and crime concerns specific to the CU Boulder community. Finally, officers must complete a probationary period before being certified to their staff positions. Once officers have
successfully completed their initial training and probationary period, they remain obligated to complete annual in-service training on a variety of topics for the remainder of their careers.

**Statement Addressing Jurisdiction and Interagency Relationships with Local and State Law Enforcement**

CUPD maintains excellent working and mutual aid relationships with other state and local law enforcement agencies and will coordinate responses to crime when appropriate. CUPD recognizes the importance of maintaining close and cooperative working relationships with the Boulder Police Department, Boulder County Sheriff's Office, and Boulder County District Attorney's Office. CUPD routinely meets with these departments on a formal and informal basis and on specific issues as the need arises. CUPD also conducts joint training exercises with these departments and other state and local emergency service providers on a regular basis.

These law enforcement departments share a computer-aided dispatching system and other information systems to track offender criminal histories, arrest information, and crime trend information. CUPD has direct lines of communication with state and local law enforcement agencies, which allows for efficient coordination when necessary.

The Boulder Police Department has entered into an agreement with CUPD to commission CU Boulder officers as Boulder police officers. Consequently, CUPD has police authority within the legal jurisdiction of the city of Boulder. Also by agreement with the Boulder Police Department, CUPD provides personnel and equipment to participate as members of the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team. Under Colorado Revised Statutes 29-5-103, CUPD has statutory authority to provide assistance to other law enforcement agencies as needed and required. Additionally, under Colorado Revised Statutes 29-5-104, CUPD has the authority to request law enforcement personnel from other agencies as needed or required to deal with emergency situations and special events on campus. CUPD does not have written agreements with the Boulder Police Department or Boulder County Sheriff's Office regarding the investigation of criminal incidents.

**5. Reporting Crimes and Other Emergencies**

**Statement Addressing How to Report a Crime or Emergency on Campus**

1. **Duty to Report Criminal Behavior**

   Under Colorado Law, “It is the duty of every…person who has reasonable grounds to believe that a crime has been committed to report promptly the suspected crime to law enforcement authorities.” (C.R.S. § 18-8-115) Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to accurately and promptly report all crimes to CUPD and other campus offices, described elsewhere in this document, as appropriate when the victim of a crime elects to, or is unable to, make such a report.

   CU Boulder Police take all reports seriously. Reports will be accepted at the CU Boulder Police Department, located at 1050 Regent Drive.
Criminal offenses reported will assist the University in keeping accurate records regarding the number of reported incidents on campus, and on property owned or controlled by the University, determine where there is a pattern of crime, and evaluate if an alert to the campus community is warranted.

To call in an emergency report, call 911 from your cell phone or landline. To call in a non-emergency report, use the following phone numbers.

- University of Colorado Boulder Police – 303-492-6666
- City of Boulder Police – 303-441-3333
- Boulder County Sheriff – 303-441-3600

2. Emergencies

In case of an emergency, call 911 to reach CUPD to report criminal incidents or emergencies on campus and to reach fire, ambulance, and rescue services. Persons who are deaf or hard of hearing should call 911 from a TTY/TDD telephone to reach CUPD. CUPD operates its own dispatch center 24 hours a day. In Boulder County, public safety answering points also have text-to-911 capabilities. Because this method is slower, it is only recommended during those times when it is not safe for you to speak because of an immediate threat. You can read more about sending text messages to 911 on our website.

3. Accidents

In order to prevent accidents on campus, please be aware of traffic conditions while moving around campus. If you have an accident on campus or in one of the campus parking lots, call CUPD Dispatch at 303-492-6666.

4. Online Crime Reporting

As a time-saving option for reporting certain offenses, CUPD offers online reporting. Bike thefts, criminal mischief, and other crimes that are not in progress can be reported at the CUPD records website.

Online crime reporting can be used for reports of:

- Bicycle theft (no dollar limit)
- Computer/other theft (value under $2,500)
- Criminal mischief (not graffiti)
- Lost/mislaid personal or CU Boulder property
- Noncriminal property damage or personal injury
- Traffic- or pedestrian-related concerns

The online crime reporting site is not for reporting “crimes in progress” or other emergencies.

Ordinarily, an officer would respond to these incidents, interview witnesses, and then compile a police report. While that method remains an option, the online reporting site can save time for both the reporting party and CUPD officers. You may upload a case summary, possible suspect info, and incident photos, which will be transferred into CUPD’s records management system and investigated in the same manner as reports filed by CUPD officers.
5. Response

Dispatchers are available at the above telephone numbers 24 hours a day to answer your calls. CUPD policies and procedures require immediate responses to emergency calls. CUPD works closely with the city of Boulder and Boulder County first responders (police, sheriff, fire, ambulance) to coordinate effective responses to emergency calls. Priority response is given to crimes against persons and incidents involving personal injuries. Upon receipt of non-emergency calls, CUPD will either dispatch an officer or ask the victim to file an incident report online or in person at CUPD.

Like other full-service law enforcement agencies, CUPD provides police patrol, investigations (detectives), police records, E-911 communications (dispatch), property and evidence, and event management services. CUPD maintains excellent working relationships with local, state and federal law enforcement and emergency response agencies.

Statement Addressing Anonymous and Voluntary Confidential Reporting

CUPD works in conjunction with the Northern Colorado Crime Stoppers program to encourage the anonymous reporting of crime-related activity. Rewards may be given when the information leads to an arrest and the filing of criminal charges. A CUPD detective or patrol officer investigates information on criminal activity received through confidential informants or third-party reporting. You may anonymously report a crime on the Northern Colorado Crime Stoppers website. Voluntary confidential reporting is not offered through this site.

The CU Boulder Office of Victim Assistance has a confidential reporting site, available at that allows CU community members (students, staff, faculty, and their significant others) to confidentially report harmful and/or traumatic events they or others have experienced. This option allows you to provide information about harmful and/or traumatic events in a confidential manner that does not constitute a report to CU Boulder or to law enforcement. This information goes to the confidential Office of Victim Assistance and will not be shared except in an aggregate, non-identifiable form.

CU Boulder does not have policies or procedures allowing for voluntary, confidential reporting of crimes for the purpose of inclusion in the annual disclosure of crime statistics.

Statement Encouraging Accurate and Prompt Crime Reporting

Community members, students, faculty, staff and guests are encouraged to report all crimes and public-safety-related incidents to CUPD or the appropriate police agencies in a timely and accurate manner. CU Boulder encourages accurate and prompt reporting of all crimes when the victim of a crime elects to, or is unable to, make such a report. Colorado Revised Statutes 18-8-115 states: “It is the duty of every corporation or person who has reasonable grounds to believe that a crime has been committed to report promptly the suspected crime to law enforcement authorities. Notwithstanding any other provision of the law to the contrary, a corporation or person may disclose information concerning a suspected crime to other persons or corporations for the purpose of giving notice of the possibility that other such criminal conduct may be attempted which may affect the persons or corporations notified. When acting in good faith, such corporation or person shall be immune from any civil liability for such reporting or disclosure. This duty shall exist notwithstanding any other provision of the law to the contrary; except that this section shall not require disclosure of any communication privileged by law.”

Crimes should be reported to CUPD for inclusion within the annual crime statistics (if they occurred within CU Boulder’s defined Clery boundaries) and may be used to aid in the provision of timely warnings or safety advisories to the CU Boulder community. Reports can also be made to other campus offices as described elsewhere in this document, (e.g.) the Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance.

Crimes reported to CUPD that fall outside the department’s jurisdiction will be referred to the appropriate law enforcement agency. CUPD will help connect the reporting party to the appropriate agency.
Statement Addressing Counselors and Confidential Crime Reporting

Occasionally, victims of crime wish to report a crime but do not want to give their names and/or do not want to pursue action through the criminal justice or CU Boulder institutional systems. Pastoral and professional counselors who receive confidential reports of crime are not required to report these crimes to CUPD for inclusion into the annual disclosure of crime statistics or for the purpose of a timely warning. These positions are defined as follows:

**Pastoral Counselor:** A person who is associated with a religious order or denomination, is recognized by that religious order or denomination as someone who provides confidential counseling, and is functioning within the scope of that recognition as a pastoral counselor.

**Professional Counselor:** A person whose official responsibilities include providing mental health counseling to members of the institution’s community and who is functioning within the scope of his or her license or certification.

Pastoral counselors and professional counselors, if and when they deem it appropriate, are encouraged to inform the persons they are counseling of the procedures to report crime to CUPD for inclusion in the annual statistical disclosure. However, CU Boulder does not have a procedure that requires pastoral and professional counselors to inform the persons they counsel of procedures for reporting crime voluntarily and confidentially for inclusion in CU Boulder’s crime statistics.

Certain other CU Boulder departments whose members include campus security authorities may also accept anonymous reports of a crime from a victim. The Clery Act, however, requires these departments to report the crime to CUPD. This reporting allows CU Boulder to maintain accurate records on the number of incidents that take place; determine if there is a pattern of crime with regard to a particular location, method, or assailant; and alert the campus community of an ongoing threat if needed.

Statement Addressing Campus Security Authorities

It is important for the campus community to report criminal incidents directly to CU Boulder Police. However, some victims of crimes may be more inclined to report a crime to someone other than the police. Under Clery, a crime is “reported” when it is brought to the attention of a designated “campus security authority” (CSA). If a CSA receives the crime information and believes it was provided in good faith, he/she should report it to CUPD to allow CUPD to consider whether to make a timely warning report and for inclusion in the annual statistical disclosure.

Campus security authorities encompass four groups of individuals and organizations associated with an institution, as follows:

1. Member of campus police department;
2. Any individual or individuals who have responsibility for campus security but who do not constitute a campus police department or a campus security department (e.g., an individual who is responsible for monitoring the entrance into institutional property);
3. Any individual or organization specified in an institution’s statement of campus security policy as an individual or
organization to which students and employees should report criminal offenses;
4. An official of an institution who has significant responsibility for student and campus activities, including, but not limited to student housing, student discipline and campus judicial proceedings. Individuals may be designated as CSAs based on whether they perform the following functions: their official job responsibilities involve significant interaction with students and/or campus activities; they serve as a member in an office or of a committee to whom students are instructed and informed to report or discuss crimes, allegations of crime, and other troubling issues, and/or; they have oversight for disciplinary procedures.

Some examples of campus security authorities may include, but are not limited to the following.

- Campus law enforcement officers
- Security officers
- Deans of Students
- Athletic Director
- Student Conduct
- Faculty advisor to a student group
- Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance (OIEC)
- Title IX coordinators

**Statement Addressing When to Report Suspicious Activity**

Suspicious activity could be innocent or criminal, but that is not up to the general public to decide. If you see something suspicious, call law enforcement and let them decide if it is criminal in nature. Some examples of suspicious activities include, but are not limited to the following.

- Specific threats to inflict harm (e.g., a threat to shoot a named individual)
- Use of any object to attack or intimidate another
- You witness someone committing a crime
- You need to report an old crime
- You see fire or smell smoke
- You think you observe a drunken driver
- You have knowledge of a chemical spill
- Someone is injured or ill.

**6. Timely Warning Notifications**

**Statement Addressing the Issuance of Timely Warning Notifications**

CUPD is responsible for developing and disseminating timely warning notifications to members of the CU Boulder community. Once an incident that may require a timely warning notification has been reported to CUPD, the on-call command duty officer will determine whether the criteria for issuing a timely warning have been met and a timely warning will be issued. The decision will be made on a case-by-case basis.

In general, timely warnings will be issued when the following three conditions are met:

1. One of the following **statutorily designated crimes** is reported to CUPD:
   - **Criminal homicide** – Including murder and non-negligent manslaughter, and manslaughter by negligence
- **Sex offenses** – Including rape, fondling, incest, and statutory rape
- **Robbery**
- **Aggravated assault** – The decision to release a timely warning for an aggravated assault depends on the facts of the case and the information known by CUPD. For example, if an assault occurs between two students who have a disagreement, there may be no continuing threat to other CU Boulder community members. As such, a timely warning would not be distributed.
- **Burglary and/or motor vehicle theft** – In general, timely warnings will not be issued for single incidents. A timely warning may be distributed if a series of incidents poses a continuing threat to the CU Boulder community.
- **Arson**
- **Hate crimes**
- **Domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking**
  - Timely warnings will only be issued when there is a serious or continuing threat to the CU Boulder community at large.

2. The reported crime occurred at a **Clery-reportable location**, which is defined as:
   - on campus;
   - on public property within or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus boundaries; or,
   - in noncampus buildings or property. Non-campus locations are owned or controlled by CU Boulder, used for educational purposes and frequently used by students.

3. The reported crime presents a **serious or continuing threat** to CU Boulder students, faculty, and staff, as determined at CU Boulder’s sole discretion. Factors for determining whether an incident poses a serious or continuing threat include:
   - Whether the suspect has been apprehended;
   - Timeliness of the reported crime to CUPD; and
   - Whether a pattern of crimes exists that places CU Boulder students or employees at risk of becoming victims of a similar crime.

If the criteria for issuing a timely warning have been met, the command duty officer will consult with other personnel as necessary (including, but not limited to, Clery compliance personnel, the public information officer, the on-call detective, and on-scene personnel) to determine the content of the warning and the means of dissemination. CUPD personnel will work with the Office of Strategic Relations and Communications to disseminate the timely warning. Timely warnings will generally be disseminated via email to the CU Boulder community and posted on both the CU Boulder and CUPD websites. CU Boulder students, faculty, and staff will automatically receive timely warning email notices through their CU Boulder email accounts.

CUPD may learn about an incident that may require a timely warning notification from a number of sources, including individuals involved in the incident, witnesses, CUPD or other law enforcement officers, or campus security authorities as defined by the Clery Act.

When members of the office of institutional equity & compliance (OIEC), in their role as campus security authorities, learn of an incident that may require a timely warning notification but the reporting person requests that the OIEC not communicate with law enforcement, the OIEC may still notify CUPD of the incident as part of the OIEC’s obligation to provide a safe and non-
discriminatory environment. In making the determination to notify CUPD, the OIEC will consider a number of factors, including the following:

- The seriousness of the alleged conduct;
- The increased risk that the alleged perpetrator will commit additional acts of sexual or other violence;
- Whether the alleged perpetrator threatened further sexual or other violence against the alleged victim or others;
- Whether there have been other misconduct complaints about the same alleged perpetrator or if the perpetrator has a known history of arrests or records from a prior school indicating a history of sexual or other violence;
- The existence of multiple alleged victims and/or perpetrators;
- Whether the conduct was facilitated by the incapacitation of the victim (through alcohol, drugs, disability, unconsciousness, or other means);
- Whether the alleged conduct was perpetrated with a weapon or other violent means;
- Whether the alleged victim is a minor;
- Whether the alleged conduct reveals a pattern of perpetration (by the alleged perpetrator, by a particular group or organization, around a particular recurring event or activity, and/or a particular location);
- Whether any other aggravating circumstances or signs of predatory behavior are present; or
- Whether the University possesses other means to obtain relevant evidence of the alleged conduct (e.g., security cameras or personnel, physical evidence).

For a list of past timely warnings, visit the CUPD website.
7. Emergency Response, Notification, and Evacuation Procedures

When an emergency occurs on campus, CU Boulder strives to provide students, faculty and staff with the critical information needed to protect themselves. To allow CU Boulder to provide this information, community members must ensure they are registered and their emergency notification contact information is correct.

- CU Boulder students are automatically registered using their @colorado.edu email address once they become an active student. They can add a mobile number during course registration periods and update as needed in their MyCUInfo portal.
- CU Boulder faculty and staff will be automatically registered using your @colorado.edu email address. Manage your mobile alerts number, and update as needed in your MyCUInfo portal.
- CU Boulder partners with @cu.edu, @cufund.org, @cusys.edu, or @ucdenver.edu email domains must still register and maintain their information at www.getrave.com/login/cuboulder
- Affiliates who are not a student, faculty or staff and do not have one of the emails domains listed above can opt-in to CU Boulder Alerts to receive text alerts by texting “cuaffiliate” to 81437.

For more information, go to the CU Boulder Alerts webpage.

Statement Addressing Emergency Response and Evacuation Procedures

1. Policy Statement

This policy establishes the emergency response and evacuation procedures for the University of Colorado Boulder. This policy has been established to ensure the safety and welfare of CU Boulder students and employees to the greatest extent possible. This policy is aligned with and in compliance with the Higher Education Opportunity Act, which requires all Title IV institutions, without exception, to have and disclose emergency response procedures in response to a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or employees occurring on the campus.

2. Scope

The requirements set forth in this policy are only applicable to emergency or dangerous situations occurring on campus. The institution may issue emergency notifications about emergency or dangerous situations that occur in the broader community if institutional officials determine that such notifications provide helpful or relevant information to the campus population.

3. Situation

CU Boulder will, upon confirmation of an ongoing significant emergency or dangerous situation that poses an imminent threat to the safety of campus community members, immediately issue emergency notifications to the campus community. While it is impossible to predict every significant emergency or dangerous situation that may occur on campus, the following situations are examples that may warrant an emergency notification after confirmation.

a. Active Harmer
b. Bomb/explosives (threat)
c. Communicable disease outbreak
d. Severe weather
e. Terrorist incident
f. Civil unrest
Natural disaster
h. Hazardous materials incident
i. Structure fires

CU Boulder officials shall use their best, reasonable judgment in all other situations to determine whether an emergency notification is warranted.

Situations that may create business, academic or research interruptions, but do not pose a health or safety risk, may not necessitate an emergency notification. CU Boulder will facilitate notifications about such situations with coordination of involved departments as appropriate. Examples of such situations include:

a. Snow closures
b. Temporary building closures
c. Power outages

CU Boulder will, without delay, and taking into account the safety of the community, determine the content of the notification and initiate the notification system, unless the notification will, in the professional judgment of responsible authorities:

a. Compromise efforts to assist the victim
b. Compromise efforts to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency, such as compromising the efforts of first responders

4. Assumptions

This policy was established with the following assumptions:

a. Utilization of multiple notification methods is needed, as no single notification method will reach everyone, everywhere, every time.
b. One hundred percent delivery of notification to each member of the campus population cannot be guaranteed.
c. Other information sources outside the institution’s control may generate erroneous or conflicting information (i.e. unaffiliated social media sites, word of mouth).
d. Regular testing of emergency notification systems is required to ensure proper functionality and operator skill.
e. Notification systems must account for communication impairments.
f. Several notifications are considered passive notifications requiring an action by recipients. Some recipients will not take this action and, therefore, not all recipients will receive notifications during the desired timeframe.
g. There is no mechanism to ensure that campus members that have registered for the CU Alert system have updated contact information
h. Several notification methods rely on the functionality of third party vendors that are outside of the institution’s control (i.e. cell phone service providers, electricity).
5. **Confirmation of an Emergency or Dangerous Situation**

Reports of emergency or dangerous situations can originate from various sources including:

- Reports from first responders
- Reports from established warning points
- Reports from other campus departments
- Reports from citizens through 911

CUPD, including CUPD emergency management, will confirm if there is a significant emergency or dangerous situation on campus. Confirmation means CU Boulder officials have verified that a significant emergency or dangerous situation is occurring on the campus that involves an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or employees.

Process for confirmation:

- CUPD command-level staff (including the Chief of Police, command duty officers, or director of emergency management) will determine whether a significant emergency or dangerous situation is confirmed. In the event CUPD command-level staff is unavailable, CUPD’s on-duty shift supervisor, public information officer, Clery compliance officer, communications center manager, or emergency management managers may also determine whether a significant emergency or dangerous situation is confirmed. When making a determination, personnel will assess readily available information and consider a number of factors—including the nature of the reported situation, the reliability of available information, observations of law enforcement officers, information from established warning points, and other factors—to determine if there is enough information to reasonably conclude a significant emergency or dangerous situation is occurring on campus that involves an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or employees. CUPD and CUPD emergency management personnel may consult with additional departments and policy-level personnel as practical without jeopardizing life safety.

Established warning points are entities with subject matter expertise on particular hazards that may affect campus. CUPD and CUPD emergency management personnel may consider information from established warning points when determining whether a significant emergency or dangerous situation is confirmed. CUPD and CUPD emergency management personnel may conduct additional consultation with campus officials as practical without jeopardizing life safety.

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*This table is not all-inclusive, but represents a sampling of established warning points.*
6. Population Notified/Segmented Notification

In the situations when a single facility/area is involved, facility alarms, public address systems, phone trees, and other available technologies may be utilized to provide warning. Campus personnel may also provide warning if needed and feasible. Should a segmented emergency notification be issued, on-going assessments of the situation will occur and a campus-wide notification will be sent as necessary. CUPD will determine the appropriate segment or segments of the campus community to receive a notification.

7. Emergency Notification Content

The content of an emergency notification will depend on the situation and the notification method. However, the following information will be included in all initial emergency notifications regardless of the situation or method:

- A description of the situation (i.e., flash flood warning, dangerous situation)
- Relevant safety instructions (i.e., move to higher ground, shelter in place)

A third element of where to get additional information will be included, if feasible. Because of text character limits or the immediate availability of information, the third element of where to get information may not always be included in emergency notifications. Typically, more information will be provided on the CU Boulder Alerts website during ongoing emergency events.

(1) Pre-scripted Emergency Notifications

CU Boulder will develop and utilize pre-scripted emergency notifications that have been collaboratively developed and agreed upon by CUPD, emergency management, strategic relations and communications, and appropriate policy-level personnel. The development of pre-scripted notifications facilitates faster dissemination. Pre-scripted notifications have been developed primarily for the CU Boulder Alerts system, the CU Boulder website, and the CU Boulder emergency information line.

During situations for which a pre-scripted notification cannot be utilized, or when the responsible official determines different content is needed, the guidelines listed above will be followed to craft these notifications. The following departments have the authority to develop the content for an emergency notification message: CUPD, emergency management, and/or strategic relations and communications.

(2) Additional Content Considerations

As feasible, after the situation description, relevant instructions, and additional information sources are provided, the following content should be considered for inclusion:

- Campus operating status (open, closed, etc.)
- Information update frequencies
- Additional instructions that are not specific to life safety
(3) Follow-Up Information

As deemed appropriate by the responsible institution official, follow-up messages deemed necessary during an emergency may be distributed to the campus community and an “all clear” notification may be distributed at the conclusion of a significant emergency or dangerous situation. Any follow-up notifications and the “all clear” message will be sent using some or all of the same communication methods used to send the original emergency notification. These follow-up notifications should include campus operating status, if relevant.

8. Concept of Operations

The primary method of issuing a campus-wide emergency notification is the CU Boulder Alerts system. The CU Boulder Alerts system is capable of sending text messages, voice messages, emails, posting to campus social media sites, and computer pop-ups to registered users. Registered users are responsible for maintaining correct contact information and for regularly checking registered devices and accounts during bi-annual system tests. This is the primary alerting tool for campus-wide emergency notification as it utilizes both “active” and “passive” alerting functions. The campus recognizes the need for public safety partners in the broader community to have situational awareness of emergencies that occur on campus and, as such, select members of the broader public safety community are registered to receive campus-wide CU Boulder Alerts.

CU Boulder Alerts notifications may be used in conjunction with other campus warning systems such as the CU Boulder home page, the campus emergency information line, and campus social media sites. Other warning systems that will be used as appropriate include Boulder County public warning sirens, vehicle public address systems, building public address systems, and local television and radio news stations.

The campus alerts website is designed to accommodate increased traffic during emergency situations so that both campus community members and the broader community are provided with emergency notifications and information. The website will be the primary point of information dissemination for the broader community, including parents, neighbors and other members of the larger community.

(1) Initiation of Notification

Upon confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation, the following process to initiate an emergency notification will be used:

(a) Decision Criteria for Emergency Notifications

1) Life safety considerations
   a) What is the potential for injury or death?
   b) What is the potential for damage?
   c) What is the potential for interruptions to critical services?
2) Situation
   a) What is the impact to the campus?
   b) Is the situation stable? What is the potential for the situation to worsen?
   c) What is the urgency of the situation?
3) Audience
   a) Who needs to receive the notification?
4) Limitations
   a) Are there any known limitations of the notification systems?
(b) Initial Emergency Notification Responsibilities

(i) University of Colorado Police Department
- CUPD is responsible for initiating emergency notifications regarding criminal incidents that warrant an emergency notification rather than a timely warning notification because there is an immediate threat to the health and safety of the community, such as an active harmer on campus.
- CUPD dispatch, emergency management staff, or the CUPD public information officer may send initial CU Boulder Alerts regarding criminal incidents.
- CUPD command staff or their designees are responsible for contacting the Office of Strategic Relations and Communications to initiate additional notification methods (CU Boulder website, emergency information line).

(ii) Emergency Management
Emergency Management is responsible for sending all emergency notifications that are not criminal in nature.

- Emergency management staff, strategic, or CUPD dispatch can send initial CU Boulder Alerts regarding non-criminal incidents.
- Emergency management staff is responsible for contacting strategic relations and communications to initiate additional notification methods (CU Boulder website, emergency information line).

(iii) Strategic Relations
Strategic relations is responsible for maintaining and disseminating emergency notifications to the CU Boulder community and to the larger community using:

- The CU Boulder website
- The CU Boulder emergency information line at 303-492-INFO (303-492-4636)
- Campus social media sites
- Internal campus email systems

Campus emergency management or law enforcement is responsible for providing the necessary content to strategic relations and communications.

Whenever possible, the CUPD public information officer staff and emergency management staff will assume the responsibility of sending initial emergency notifications in order to allow CUPD dispatch to focus on assignment of police and other first responders to the emergency, information gathering and dissemination to support officer safety and effective emergency response, and other duties.

However, because CUPD dispatch is often the first campus entity to receive confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation, they may need to initiate emergency notifications in some circumstances.

(c) Additional Emergency Notifications
After the initial notification, campus emergency management or the CUPD public information officer staff will assume responsibility from CUPD dispatch for additional messages.
9. Emergency Response Organization

The campus maintains an emergency operations plan that outlines responsibilities of campus departments during emergencies. This plan outlines incident priorities, campus organization and specific responsibilities of particular departments or positions.

CU Boulder departments are responsible for developing emergency response and continuity of operations plans for their areas and staff. Campus emergency management provides resources and guidance for the development of these plans.

10. Emergency Response Education

Information about emergency response procedures is provided at the beginning of each semester at student orientation, and it is re-emphasized throughout the year on a campus-wide basis as other relevant advisories are issued, such as those posted at the start of flood season. Information on how to receive emergency notifications is also located in the campus closure policy, which is provided electronically to the entire campus community on an annual basis.

Every campus building is equipped with an emergency evacuation sign that illustrates the emergency evacuation route. Additionally, campus facilities that are located in the 100-year flood plain have flood specific emergency instructions. These instructions are located on the campus emergency management website. The campus emergency management website also provides information and instructions about hazards that are likely to affect campus.

Statement Addressing Testing Emergency Response

In compliance with federal law, the CU Boulder Alerts system, CU Boulder webpage and campus emergency information line are tested twice a year. During these scheduled (announced) test periods, campus community members are encouraged to verify their contact information is correct, that they receive notifications as expected, and to become familiar with the location of emergency information. Testing of the emergency response system is typically announced through internal campus e-mails. In addition to the emergency notification system test, the campus conducts tabletop exercises and participates in drills and exercises with community partners when possible. The campus publicizes a summary of the emergency response and evacuation procedures via email at least once each year in conjunction with a test (exercise and drill) that meets all of the requirements of the Higher Education Opportunity Act, including documentation of a description of the exercise, the date and time, and whether the exercise was announced or unannounced.

Statement Addressing Evacuation Procedures

The residence halls conduct emergency evacuation drills at the beginning of each semester. Other campus facilities are responsible for organizing and conducting their own emergency evacuation drills. The purpose of evacuation drills is to prepare building occupants for an organized evacuation in case of a fire or other emergency. Evacuation drills are used as a way to educate and train occupants on fire safety issues specific to their building. During the drill, occupants “practice” drill procedures and familiarize themselves with the location of exits and the sound of the fire alarm. In addition to educating the occupants of each building about the evacuation procedures during the drills, the process also provides the college an opportunity to test the operation of fire alarm system components.

At the sound of a fire alarm or if you are instructed to evacuate, leave your area immediately, proceed to the nearest exit and leave the building. If you are the first to recognize a fire situation, activate the alarm, evacuate to a safe location using the nearest exit and notify CUPD by dialing 911. Other tips for response in a fire situation include:
i. Remain calm.
ii. Do not use elevators; use the stairs.
iii. If you are unable to self-evacuate without the use of elevators, proceed to the “temporary gathering place” as identified on the building emergency evacuation plans posted in all buildings; often, this is near or in a stairwell. If you are part of a personal support network for someone who is unable to self-evacuate, evacuate the building and immediately inform CUPD or the Boulder Fire Department of the individual’s location.
iv. Proceed to a clear area at least 150 feet from the building. Keep all walkways clear for emergency vehicles.
v. Make sure all personnel are out of the building.
vi. Do not re-enter the building.

8. Crime Statistics

Statement Addressing Preparation of Disclosure of Annual Crime Statistics

The purpose of this Annual Security Report is to inform the CU Boulder community, including current and prospective students and employees, regarding issues related to safety and security at CU Boulder. CUPD prepares this report, working closely with other offices around campus and in the community to publish accurate policy statements and to collect crime statistics. Campus crime and arrest and referral statistics include those reported to CUPD, the Office of Student Conduct, the Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance, and other campus security authorities as defined by the Clery Act; and the Boulder Police Department, Boulder County Sheriff’s Office, and other local law enforcement agencies with jurisdiction over portions of CU Boulder geography as defined by the Clery Act. Crime statistics are gathered for buildings and property within the core campus that are owned or controlled by CU Boulder and used for educational and institutional purposes. Other geography included for crime statistics purposes includes areas on public property within or immediately adjacent to the campus boundaries, and in buildings outside the core campus and designated as “non-campus” locations that are owned or controlled by CU Boulder, used for educational purposes, and frequently used by students.

By October 1 of each year, an e-mail notification is made to all enrolled students, faculty, and staff that provides the website address for accessing crime statistics and information regarding how interested persons can request a printed copy. CU Boulder’s most current Annual Security and Fire Safety Report is posted online.

Prospective students are notified of the availability of the report on the CU Boulder admissions homepage, and the CU Boulder graduate admissions homepage. Additionally, information about the Annual Security and Fire Safety Report is made available to all applicants who apply for a position on the Boulder campus. This information is readily located on the CU System applicant portal. Clery Act information for current employees is located on the department of human resources website.

Statement Addressing Criminal Activity Off Campus

For Clery Act purposes, CU Boulder is required to report crimes that occur at noncampus buildings or property that are owned or controlled by student organizations officially recognized by CU Boulder. Panhellenic sororities and multicultural greek organizations are officially recognized by CU Boulder and own or control off-campus housing
buildings. The Boulder Police Department has primary responsibility for responding to reports of crimes that occur at these noncampus locations in the city of Boulder. As such, the Boulder Police Department monitors and records criminal activity reported to have occurred at Boulder locations owned or controlled by the panhellenic sororities and multicultural greek organizations. CU Boulder does not officially recognize Interfraternity Council member houses; therefore, crimes that occur on their properties are not counted in the annual Clery statistics. CUPD obtains crime reports from the Boulder Police Department for crimes reported at panhellenic sorority and multicultural greek organization properties for the purpose of collecting crime statistics.

CUPD maintains excellent working relationships with all area law enforcement agencies including the city of Boulder Police Department, the Boulder County Sheriff’s Office, the Colorado State Patrol, the Colorado Bureau of Investigation (CBI) and the local field office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). These working relationships are maintained through periodic communication among agency administrators and by frequent contact between line officers and investigators cooperating on specific cases.

CU Boulder must also include in the noncampus buildings or property category any property that is owned or controlled by CU Boulder and is used in direct support of, or in relation to, CU Boulder’s educational purposes, is frequently used by students, and is not within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the CU Boulder campus. This includes, for instance, classroom space rented by CU Boulder departments to host classes at off-campus sites.

CUPD handles all criminal matters on CU Boulder property. CUPD also has concurrent jurisdiction in the city of Boulder through a commission granted by the Chief of Police of the Boulder Police Department. In addition, if one of the local law enforcement agencies responds or is contacted about criminal activity occurring off-campus but involving CU Boulder students, that law enforcement agency may notify CUPD; however, other agency policies do not require such notification. Students in these cases may be subject to arrest by the local agencies and subject to CU Boulder disciplinary action through the Office of Student Conduct. Information about the Office of Student Conduct may be found on their website.

In general, prospective students, employees, and visitors to CU Boulder should know that, as with any community, criminal activity occasionally occurs both on- and off-campus, and it is important to take reasonable precautions at all times. CUPD can assist any member of the CU Boulder community in determining an appropriate point of contact for police matters falling outside of the department's jurisdiction. Contact the department at 303-492-6666 for assistance. For additional local off-campus information, you may contact the Boulder Police Department or the Boulder County Sheriff’s Office.

**Statement addressing the Daily Crime Log**

As required under federal law, CUPD maintains a daily crime log (police blotter), which is made available on the CUPD website. The Daily Crime Log is normally updated each business day and contains all crimes reported to CUPD occurring within its patrol jurisdiction. The daily crime log is a secondary means of distributing information to the CU Boulder community about crimes and crime trends on campus. The log records the nature, date and time reported, date and time occurred, general location, and disposition of each offense.
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9. Security Awareness, Crime Prevention, and Education

Statement Addressing Security Awareness Programs for Students and Employees

CUPD provides a number of services and programs to the campus community to help ensure the safety and security of our campus affiliates. Our services strive to emphasize proactive measures in order to minimize the need for reactive responses. We must all take responsibility for our own safety and the safety of others. Promptly and accurately reporting any and all criminal acts, dangerous situations, and suspicious behaviors greatly assists in the provision of a safe campus community.

The following are descriptions of CUPD security awareness programs provided to CU affiliates on at least an annual basis:

- **Student Orientation & Faculty Orientation**: Tips on personal safety while on campus and in the surrounding community, information on registering bicycles and computers on campus, and information regarding local laws and regulations.
- **Active Harmer Response training**: In-person training offered to resident advisors and campus departments (by request) on actions you should take if you encounter an active harmer.
- **Clery Act Campus Security Authority training**: In-person and online training provided to all campus security authorities regarding responsibilities under the Clery Act and mechanisms in place to report Clery-related offenses. This training is provided in compliance with the mandatory training provisions of the Clery Act.
- **Fire Academy**: CUPD, Boulder Fire Department, and Residence Life collaborate to educate resident advisors on fire safety at the beginning of the school year.
- **Housing Liaison Program**: CUPD officers are connected with hall directors and resident advisors to serve as liaisons and provide safety tips and solve problems in the residence halls.

In addition, throughout the year, police department personnel routinely present information or facilitate programs for student organizations, campus departments, and residence halls on a variety of educational strategies and tips on how to protect themselves.

In addition to presentations offered by the department, information is available on a variety of topics through CUPD’s [website](#). This site offers information and videos designed to enhance student awareness and personal safety.

Statement Addressing Crime Prevention Programs

1. **CU NightRide**

   CU NightRide is a student-operated program dedicated to meeting the safety needs of CU students, faculty, and staff by providing night-time transportation to support a safe academic and socially responsible environment both on campus and in the community. CU NightRide is free for CU students, faculty, and staff. CU NightRide provides service on the main CU Boulder campus and from or to any point off campus within the city boundaries. Rides can be scheduled by visiting the CU NightRide dispatch desk in the UMC or from any location by calling 303-492-SAFE. For more details, see their website.

2. **Bicycle Registration**

   CU Boulder encourages you to register your bike online or at a CU Boulder bike station. The free registration discourages theft and aids in identification when your bike is recovered after it is stolen. In addition, any personalization on your bike (stickers, markings, etc.) should be documented and kept in case your bike is stolen. This
will make it easier for police to identify your bike. All of this information should be stored and saved along with purchase receipts, manufacturer’s information and a photograph of the bicycle. For more information on bike registration or to complete the registration process, visit the **CU Environmental Center’s webpage**.

3. **Active Harmer Response Training**

Active harming incidents have occurred at a number of locations in recent years, and the University of Colorado Boulder is not immune these types of situations. While the odds of this type of incident occurring at CU Boulder are small, the consequences are so potentially catastrophic it makes sense that all CU Boulder students, staff, faculty and visitors should consider the possibility of such an incident occurring here.

Students, faculty and staff can watch the “Shots Fired: When Lightning Strikes” training video. This video portrays situations that could occur if an active harmer is on campus and provides safety techniques useful in such situations. The video is accessible on the **CUPD crime prevention webpage**. CUPD also provides in-person safety training for interested campus departments. If you have questions, please contact CUPD at 303-492-8168.

10. **Missing Student Policy**

As required by federal law, every student residing in on-campus housing will be given the option of providing confidential contact information that will be used in the event that the resident is reported missing. The confidential contact is not required to be a parent or guardian. A student’s confidential contact information will be registered confidentially and is accessible only by authorized campus officials and law enforcement in the process of a missing person investigation. Parents or guardians will be called if the resident is under the age of 18 years of age and not emancipated. During the residence halls application process, every student will be offered the opportunity to register a confidential missing person contact person or persons to be notified by CU Boulder in the event they are determined to be missing by CUPD or local law enforcement. If the student does not wish to list a contact, they may decline to do so.

Reports of missing on-campus residents should be made to CUPD and must be made immediately when a student has been missing for 24 hours. Reports of missing students who live off-campus should typically be made to the law enforcement agency in that jurisdiction. No waiting period exists for CUPD to document information and report an individual as missing. CUPD will ensure all reasonable and necessary investigation, notification, dissemination of information, coordination of resources, and searches are conducted to resolve missing person cases or missing/abducted juveniles.

CUPD will ensure:

- The listed missing person emergency contact, if registered, is contacted within 24 hours by CUPD, a representative of residence life or the Office of the Dean of Students, and is made aware of the missing student’s status.
- If the student is under 18 years of age and not emancipated, the custodial parent or legal guardian and any other designated contact will be notified within 24 hours of the student being determined missing.
- Regardless of whether the student has identified a contact person, or is above the age of 18, or is an emancipated minor, CUPD will inform the local law enforcement agency with jurisdiction in the area that the student is missing within 24 hours.

In accordance with federal law, CU Boulder does not discriminate on the basis of sex/gender in its educational programs and employment. Sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking are forms of sex/gender discrimination and, in addition to being violations of criminal law, are prohibited offenses by CU Boulder.

For more information regarding CU Boulder’s relevant policies, see:

- Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance (OIEC) process and procedures;
- Sexual assault and sexual harassment response protocol for faculty, staff and student employees;
- APS 5014 – sexual misconduct policy;
- Discrimination and harassment policy and procedures

Relevant Definitions with Regard to Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking

1. Definitions of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking

Sexual assault, domestic violence, and stalking are criminal offenses in the state of Colorado. Dating violence is not a criminal offense under Colorado Revised Statutes. Definitions of these crimes are included in appendix A of this document so you have a better understanding of what actions violate the law in Colorado. However, these are not the definitions used for classifying offenses for Clery statistical purposes.

2. Definitions of Consent

Colorado Revised Statutes defines “consent” in Part 4 of Title 18, which pertains to unlawful sexual behavior (including sexual assault and unlawful sexual contact):

“Consent” means cooperation in act or attitude pursuant to an exercise of free will and with knowledge of the nature of the act. A current or previous relationship shall not be sufficient to constitute consent under the provisions of this part 4. Submission under the influence of fear shall not constitute consent. Nothing in the definition shall be construed to affect the admissibility of evidence or the burden of proof in regard to the issue of consent under this part 4.

- C.R.S. 18-3-401(1.5).

CU Boulder defines “consent” in reference to sexual activity. The OIEC process and procedures requires “affirmative consent” with regard to sexual activity. The definition of affirmative consent is reproduced below:

Affirmative consent: means the unambiguous and voluntary agreement to engage in a specific sexual activity. Consent is clear, knowing, and voluntary words or actions which create mutually understandable consent. Consent is active; silence by itself cannot be interpreted as consent. Consent is not effectively given if it results from the use of force, including threats, intimidation or coercion, or if it is from someone who is incapacitated:

- Force is the use of physical violence or imposing on someone physically to gain sexual access.
- Threats exist where a reasonable person would have been compelled by the words or actions of another to give permission to sexual contact they would not otherwise have given. For example, threats to kill someone, themselves, or to harm someone one cares for constitute threats.
• **Intimidation** occurs when someone uses physical presence to menace another, although no physical contact occurs, or where knowledge of prior violent behavior by an assailant, coupled with menacing behavior, places someone in fear as an implied threat.

• **Coercion** is unreasonable pressure for sexual activity. Coercion differs from seduction by the repetition of the coercive activity beyond what is reasonable, the degree of pressure applied, and other factors such as isolation. When someone makes it clear that they do not want sex, do not want to go past a certain point, or want it to stop, continued pressure beyond that point can be coercive. It also includes “grooming” meaning an attempt to control victims through a systematic process which takes advantage of an individual’s vulnerabilities using a combination of strategies to gain the individual’s trust, lower inhibitions, and gain cooperation and “consent.”

Affirmative consent will be determined using both objective and subjective standards. The objective standard is met when a reasonable person would consider the words or actions of the parties to have manifested an agreement between them to do the same thing, in the same way, at the same time, with one another. The subjective standard is met when a party believes in good faith that the words or actions of the parties manifested an agreement between them to do the same thing, in the same way, at the same time, with one another.

- A person who does not want to consent to sex is not required to resist.
- Consent to some forms of sexual activity does not automatically imply consent to other forms of sexual activity.
- Silence, previous sexual relationships, or the existence of a current relationship do not imply consent.
- Consent cannot be implied by attire or inferred from the giving or acceptance of gifts, money or other items.
- Consent to sexual activity may be withdrawn at any time, as long as the withdrawal is communicated clearly.
- Withdrawal of consent can be done in numerous ways and need not be a verbal withdrawal of consent.
- A respondent’s intoxication resulting from intentional use of alcohol/drugs will not function as a defense to engaging in sexual activity without an individual’s consent.
- In order to give effective consent, the person giving consent must be of legal age under Colorado law for the purposes of determining whether there was a sexual assault.

**Incapacitation:** may result from alcohol or other drug use, unconsciousness, or other factors. The use of alcohol or drugs, in and of itself does not render a person incapacitated. Incapacitation is a state beyond drunkenness or intoxication. The impact of alcohol and drugs varies from person to person. Incapacitation is a state where a person cannot make a rational, reasonable decision because they lack the capacity to give affirmative consent (to understand the who, what, when, where, why or how of sexual interaction). Incapacity can also result from illness, sleep, mental disability, and other circumstances. Engaging in sexual activity with a person whom you know to be mentally or physical incapacitated, or reasonably should know to be incapacitated, violates this policy.
Safe and Positive Options for Bystander Intervention and Risk Reduction

CU Boulder’s educational programming includes information on safe and positive options for bystander intervention and risk reduction. Bystanders play a critical role in the preventing harm from crimes like domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. By recognizing precursors that may lead to dangerous situations, like seeing a drunk person being aggressively pursued at a party or seeing someone engaging in risk-taking behaviors, a bystander can take safe and positive steps to intervene and reduce the risk of harm. Risk reduction means options designed to decrease perpetration and bystander inaction, and to increase empowerment for victims in order to promote safety and to help individuals and communities address conditions that facilitate violence.

Remember, there are safe ways for you to intervene that may be helpful; you don’t have to solve the whole problem or aggressively confront someone for your actions to change the situation. Sometimes little things like acting covertly or being a distraction can be as effective as more direct action.

Primary and On-Going Prevention and Awareness Programs and Campaigns

CU Boulder engages in comprehensive educational programming to prevent and bring awareness about sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

1. Programming Content

   Educational programming consists of primary prevention and awareness programs for all incoming students and new employees and ongoing awareness and prevention campaigns for students, faculty, and staff that:

   a. Identifies sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking as prohibited conduct by CU Boulder policies and state criminal law;
   b. Defines what behavior constitutes sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking pursuant to CU Boulder policies and state criminal law;
   c. Defines what behavior and actions constitute consent to sexual activity pursuant to CU Boulder policies and state criminal law;
   d. Provides safe and positive options for bystander intervention that may be carried out by an individual to prevent harm or intervene when there is a risk of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking against a person other than the bystander;
   e. Provides information on risk reduction so that students and employees may recognize warning signs of abusive behavior and how to avoid potential attacks; and,
   f. Provides an overview of the information that follows below in this policy statement.

2. Description of Programs and Campaigns

   (1) New Student Welcome and New Hire Programming

   CU Boulder has developed an annual educational campaign consisting of presentations that include distribution of educational materials to new students, participating in and presenting information and materials during new employee orientation, participating in the faculty orientation program, and presenting educational programs throughout the year.

   Specifically, CU Boulder requires all new undergraduate students to participate in two required programs:

   • Community Equity (An online module that addresses CU Boulder policies regarding sexual misconduct and protected class discrimination and harassment. This program also includes information on sexual assault, dating and domestic violence, stalking, and support services.)
• Effective Bystander Intervention Skills (An in-person, skill-building program to train students in bystander intervention.)

CU Boulder also requires faculty, staff, and student employees to complete discrimination and harassment training according to the following schedule:

• Staff and student employees: within first 30 days of employment
• Faculty: within their first semester of employment
• Everyone: after initial training, again at least once every five years.

(2) Ongoing Programs and Campaigns
All employees, including student employees, must complete discrimination and harassment training at least once every five years. Some departments require more frequent completion of this training requirement. The Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance also offers specialized departmental trainings for faculty, supervisors, and other employee groups throughout the year upon request.

(3) Office of Victim Assistance (OVA) Presentations
The Office of Victim Assistance offers presentations on all of its topic areas and how to support people who may be impacted by traumatic/disruptive life events. OVA topic areas include, but are not limited to: physical assault, hazing, experiences of bias, grief and loss, discrimination, harassment, sexual harassment, intimate partner abuse, sexual assault, and stalking.

Upon request, OVA provides tailored presentations on various subjects, including:

(a) What does OVA offer: Overview of OVA services
• How can we support you and how to refer people to OVA.

(b) Supporting Survivors: How to help a friend (responding to a disclosure of trauma, for example sexual assault or intimate partner abuse)
• How you respond matter. Friends, peers, mentors are often the first to be confided in.
• Learn about the positive impacts of trauma-informed support and how it can help a survivor heal.
• Learn skills on how to positively respond to someone after a traumatic or life-disrupting event.
• How to connect people to OVA so they can get confidential support and learn about all their rights and options.
• When applicable, trauma-informed mandatory reporting can be included in the session as well.

(c) Impact of Trauma and the Healing Process
• Information on what people may experience physically, emotionally, and cognitively in the aftermath of a traumatic event. Presentation is geared towards people already involved in a helping role or for a class discussing trauma.

More information on OVA’s programs and presentations can be found at on their website.

(4) Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance (OIEC) Programs
The Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance is committed to preventing and eliminating discrimination and harassment based on race, color, national origin, pregnancy, sex, age, disability, creed,
religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, veteran status, political affiliation, or political philosophy at the University of Colorado Boulder.

(a) Community Equity
- All incoming students to CU Boulder complete an online version of this training.
- Undergraduate students – all incoming students are required to complete the Community Equity course and to pass the online quiz with a minimum score of 90%
- Graduate students – mandatory training for all graduate students employed by the university. This workshop covers the university policies on discrimination, harassment, and sexual misconduct. Students, staff or faculty learn about the range of behaviors included, discuss scenarios, practice skills for addressing behaviors, and learn about reporting options.
- Suitable for any group size.
- Length: 1.5 hours

(b) Effective Bystander Intervention
- All incoming students receive this training during Fall Welcome.
- This is a multi-session education and skill-building program to train students in bystander intervention. We explore factors that promote or prevent helping behavior and practice skills for intervening effectively.

In partnership with other programs, we offer subsequent trainings for effectively intervening in a variety of situations. Booster sessions include:

- Bystander skills in the classroom (discrimination and harassment)
- Bystander skills for sexual assault prevention (intimate partner abuse included)
- Bystander skills for graduate students (inside and outside of the classroom)
- Bystander skills for all (workplace context, classroom context, ally development, and leadership development)
- Suitable for any group size
- Length: 1 – 1.5 hours

Implemented in 2010, enhanced content annually for the incoming class to increase noticing skills and intervention strategies for situations where sexual assault is more likely to occur: This is a foundational skills-based training for helping people to notice and gain insight into potentially problematic situations and to increase their ability to interrupt, reduce, or prevent harmful or potentially harmful outcomes.

- Undergraduate students – OIEC trains all incoming students at the start of the semester. Booster sessions are offered for all students and student groups and organizations
- Graduate students – offered at GTP fall/spring intensive, within departments, TA/RA skills for inside the classroom, among peers, and interactions with faculty
- Faculty and staff – departmental sessions for addressing concerns in the work environment, among peers, and during interactions with students. Also offered as part of the Manager’s Academy.

Implement new educational campaigns (print and video) on bystander intervention skills and what constitutes sexual assault (“Don’t Ignore It” and “Just Because”)
(c) **Don't Ignore It Campaign**

Unfair treatment. Unwelcome sexual attention. A classmate who appears to be distressed or depressed. These are among the concerns that could—and should—be reported at the University of Colorado Boulder, even if students, staff or faculty are unsure it’s something the university could address or what outcome they’d like to see.

Through the university’s “Don’t Ignore It” campaign, the Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance encourages students to use its website to explore the options for reporting a concern.

Launched in spring 2016 in response to the campus sexual misconduct survey in 2015 for all students, the website was created to help campus members better understand their options for reporting and seeking confidential support.

The new website focuses on sexual misconduct issues, including sexual assault, sexual exploitation, sexual harassment, intimate partner abuse, and stalking, along with identity-based discrimination and harassment. In addition to outlining the options for reporting, the site has educational information about bystander intervention strategies, creating a “buddy system” to look out for one another, and how to effectively respond to friends and peers who disclose a traumatic event. For more information, go to the **Don’t Ignore It website**.

(d) **Reducing Unconscious Cognitive Bias**

We work with departments, units, and committees to identify key areas where bias is most likely to occur and implement policies, practices, and structural changes to reduce bias and increase inclusion.

Training can be tailored for hiring and recruitment, pedagogy, curriculum development, and interactions with colleagues and students both inside and outside the classroom.

(e) **What to Say and How to Say It: Skills for Managing Difficult Conversations**

Skills-based support for addressing problematic behaviors and comments. Coaching and practice on what approaches and responses are most effective and ways to set the stage for a more positive and inclusive environment.

Offered to all students, staff and faculty. Ideal for intact groups, committees, programs and departments.

(f) **Diagnostics and Data Analysis**

Assistance for programs, departments, and colleges to understand indicators of campus climate using institutional survey data and focus group findings.

Data analyses will be used to diagnose trends, identify areas of success and help prioritize efforts for making improvements.

(g) **Policy Education**

Launched in summer 2015, enhanced content annually for the incoming class.

Mandatory online course covering university policy on sexual misconduct, affirmative consent, and campus resources for support and reporting as well as policy on protected class discrimination and harassment.

For more information or to request a program from OIEC, contact Teresa Wroe, 303-735-7518, or by email at Teresa.Wroe@Colorado.edu
Procedures Victims Should Follow and Reporting Options

CU Boulder has procedures in place that serve to be sensitive to those who report sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, including informing individuals about their right to file criminal charges as well as the availability of medical, counseling, and support services, and additional remedies to prevent contact between a victim and an accused party, such as housing, academic, transportation, and working accommodations, if reasonably available. When a student or employee reports one of these offenses to CU Boulder, the student or employee will be provided with a written notice of rights and options, whether the offense occurred on or off campus.

In 2016, efforts were put in place to improve awareness of resources for support and reporting options including the “Don’t Ignore It” and “How to Help a Friend” campaigns. In 2017, OVA launched the “Buffs Supporting Buffs” campaign to increase awareness of sexual assault, discrimination, intimate partner abuse, and stalking. The class also teaches skills to help a friend and increase awareness of OVA’s services.

Expanded training for students on how to appropriately respond to someone who discloses a traumatic event. The Office of Victim Assistance (OVA) offers this training to key departmental staff. OIEC has integrated this education into sessions that they offer to students and staff and has expand resources and information to support these skills in partnership with OVA.

1. Preservation of Evidence

Individuals may be unsure if they want to report a sexual assault or an incident of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking to law enforcement. Regardless of whether or not a victim chooses to report an incident, it is important to preserve any evidence of the offenses so that if the victim decides at any point in time to report the incident, that evidence is still available. Preserved evidence can be helpful in proving that an alleged criminal offense occurred or in obtaining a protection order.

Examples of evidence to preserve include, but are not limited to: the clothing the individual was wearing at the time of the incident, bedding, text message correspondence discussing the incident (either with the accused or with friends or family), photographs, screenshots, emails, social media correspondence/posts (e.g. Facebook, Tinder, Snapchat, Instagram, etc.), correspondence via other messaging applications (Whatsapp, Kik, GroupMe, etc.), logs, copies of documents, video surveillance, and/or names of witnesses and contact information.

Bathing, smoking, changing clothes, or cleaning the bed or area where a sexual assault occurred may reduce the ability to collect forensic evidence. If the individual chooses to change the clothing that was worn at the time of the assault, put all of the clothes into a paper (not plastic) bag. While the preservation of evidence is helpful, forensic evidence collection may still take place regardless of whether the individual has taken these steps.

After a sexual assault, an individual should consider seeking medical attention as soon as possible. Regardless of whether an individual chooses to report the assault to police, a medical exam can be done to preserve evidence. The sexual assault nurse examiner (SANE) program at the emergency department at Boulder Community Health, located at 4747 Arapahoe Avenue, Boulder, CO 80303, is available to conduct a medical forensic exam performed by a SANE, ideally within five days of the sexual assault. It is best if the individual does not bathe, shower, eat, drink, douche, or change clothes. However, evidence can be collected even if the individual has done any or all of these things.

Even if the individual does not opt for forensic evidence collection, health care providers can still can still offer medical support, such as treating injuries, if applicable, and take steps to address concerns of pregnancy (if applicable) and/or sexually transmitted infections.

In Colorado, evidence may be collected even when the victim chooses not to make a report to law enforcement. Colorado law contains provisions to ensure the collection and preservation of forensic evidence in sexual assault
cases. A victim of a sexual assault shall not bear the cost of a forensic medical examination; that includes the collection of evidence even if the victim chooses not to participate in the criminal justice system or otherwise cooperate with the law enforcement agency, prosecuting officer, or other government official. In Colorado, there are also options for getting a medical forensic exam anonymously. For more information on reporting options in Colorado, visit the website for the Colorado Coalition Against Sexual Assault at www.ccasa.org/reportingoptions.

Remember that while preserved evidence can be helpful in proving that an alleged criminal offense occurred or in obtaining a protection order, the lack of evidence does not preclude an investigation from taking place.

2. To Whom Victims Should Report Information

The procedures set forth below are intended to afford a prompt response to charges of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking; to maintain confidentiality and fairness consistent with applicable legal requirements; and to impose appropriate sanctions on violators of this policy.

(1) Confidential Reporting
If a victim is not sure about making a police report or initiating an University investigation, the victim can receive free, confidential information, counseling, advocacy, and support by calling the Office of Victim Assistance (OVA) at the University of Colorado Boulder at 303-492-8855, by e-mail at assist@colorado.edu, in person at the Center for Community (C4C), Suite N352, or at the OVA website, www.colorado.edu/ova. All employees in this office are advocates and professional counselors.

Additional confidential resources are listed in the section entitled “Victim Services and Resources” later in this policy.

(2) CU Boulder Title IX Violation Reporting
If a victim would like to initiate a CU Boulder Title IX investigation into an incident of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, the incident should be reported to the Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance by phone at 303-492-2127, or by e-mail at cureport@colorado.edu.

The Title IX reporting process is not a confidential process, and will initiate an investigative process.

A complaint may also be filed via the EthicsPoint website.

CU Boulder will provide resources to persons who have been involved in an incident of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking. Appropriate disciplinary procedures will be taken against parties who violate this policy.

(3) Law Enforcement Reporting
The victim has the option to contact the University of Colorado Boulder Police Department by calling 303-492-6666 or in person at 1050 Regent Drive UCB 502, Boulder, CO 80309. Additional information about the University of Colorado Boulder Police Department may be found online.

3. Options Regarding Notification of Law Enforcement and Campus Authorities

Whether or not criminal charges are filed, the University or a person may file a complaint under the University’s Sexual Misconduct Policy. For more information, refer to Sexual Misconduct: Reporting Options/Assistance.
Reports of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking made within the primary reporting jurisdiction of the University of Colorado Boulder Police Department will be referred to the director of institutional equity and compliance & title IX coordinator for investigation regardless of whether the victim chooses to pursue criminal charges. Names and identifying information of victims of a sexual assault will only be released with the victim’s consent in accordance with state law.

Federal and state law requires some faculty and staff positions to report certain criminal activity to law enforcement. CU Boulder also strongly encourages all members of its community to report any criminal activity to law enforcement. Victims who wish to report incidents confidentially should contact the CU Boulder Office of Victim Assistance (OVA) or another confidential reporting resource (listed later in this document).

OVA can assist any victim with notifying local police if they should decide to report criminal activity. OVA is located at the Center for Community (C4C), Suite N352, UCB 140, Boulder, CO 80309-0140. OVA can be reached by telephone at 303-492-8855, after-hour phone counselors are available, or via e-mail at assist@colorado.edu.

Additional resources on campus, who can provide assistance in notifying law enforcement authorities if the victim so chooses, include: the associate vice chancellor for student affairs and dean of students; director of institutional equity and compliance & title IX coordinator; the associate vice chancellor of human resources; and the director of the Office of Student Conduct.

Reports of criminal activity that occurred on the CU Boulder campus may be made directly to the University of Colorado Police Department at 303-492-6666. Reports of criminal activity that occurred elsewhere in the city of Boulder can be made directly to the city of Boulder Police Department at 303-441-3333.

Victims can also decline to notify any or all of these authorities at any time.

4. Orders of Protection, No Contact Orders, Restraining Orders, or Similar Lawful Orders Issued by a Criminal, Civil, or Tribal Court

Victims who are interested in obtaining an order of protection, or any other order issued by a criminal, civil, or tribal court, must pursue those options on their own behalf. Restraining orders are obtained through the Boulder County consolidated courts. More information on obtaining a restraining order in Colorado is located online. The Office of Victim Assistance (OVA) can assist victims free of charge with the process of obtaining a restraining order. CU Student Legal Services (SLS) may also be able to provide resources.

CU Boulder complies with Colorado law in recognizing orders of protection. Any person who obtains an order of protection from Colorado or any other state should provide a copy to the University of Colorado Boulder Police Department and the director of institutional equity and compliance & title IX coordinator.

For further information regarding University no contact orders and other interim measures, see the section titled “Possible Protective Measures and Sanctions.”

5. How CU Boulder Will Protect Victim Confidentiality

For students who are victims of crime, the University complies with the provisions of the family educational rights and privacy act (FERPA) in regards to recordkeeping. For faculty and staff members who are victims of crime, the University adheres to the applicable law, including the Colorado open records act (CORA). For more information, see Administrative Policy Statement 2022 – Colorado open records act (CORA), including Appendix A: Information Not Public by Law. A current copy of this policy statement can be found here. CU Boulder will complete publicly available recordkeeping, including Clery Act reporting and disclosures, without the inclusion of personally identifying information about the victim.
These recordkeeping protections are also applicable to any accommodations or protective measures provided to the victim, to the extent that maintaining such confidentiality would not impair the ability of the University to provide the accommodations or protective measures.

CU Boulder students may request that directory information be withheld from public release by contacting the Office of the Registrar, Regent Administrative Center 101, 20 UCB. Boulder, CO 80309-0020. The Office of the Registrar can be contacted by telephone at 303-492-6970. More information on student privacy is located on the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act website.

CU Boulder recognizes that employees might have unique circumstances that justify removing an employee's name from campus phone directories (the hard copy and online versions and via the switchboard). However, this need must be balanced against the legitimate business need of the campus to ensure that all employees are accessible to the campus community. As a result, a process has been created to assist employees who have a legitimate need to be removed from these sources for safety purposes (e.g., stalking). For more information, contact the department of human resources at 303-492-6893.

**Victim Accommodations**

Sometimes experiencing a sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking can compromise concentration, ability to focus on school, or feeling able to get to class. The Office of Victim Assistance (OVA) can discuss options for managing academic issues while maintaining confidentiality, and provide assistance with identifying other options under the policy.

Regardless of whether a victim elects to pursue a criminal complaint with CUPD or other law enforcement, CU Boulder will assist victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking by providing assistance and accommodations, and will provide each victim with a written explanation of these options. CU Boulder will provide written notification about existing counseling, health, mental health, victim advocacy, legal assistance, visa and immigration assistance, student financial aid, and other services available for victims, both within the institution and in the community. CU Boulder will also provide written notification to victims about options for, available assistance in, and how to request changes to academic, living, transportation, and working situations or protective measures.

For example, if reasonably available, a victim may be offered changes to academic, living, transportation, and working situations, such as changing residence hall rooms, alternative transportation options, adjustment to course schedules, or a leave of absence. CU Boulder must make these accommodations if the victim requests them and if they are reasonably available, regardless of whether the victim chooses to report the crime to campus police or local law enforcement. Victims should communicate requests for accommodations (remedial and/or protective measures) to the director of institutional equity and compliance & title IX coordinator.
## Victim Services and Resources

Disclaimer: The following contact information was current as of the date of publication of this report, but may not remain accurate. It is recommended that individuals verify this information.

### 1. On-Campus

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<td>Director of Institutional Equity and Compliance &amp; Title IX Coordinator</td>
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<td>University of Colorado Boulder Police Department</td>
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<td>CU Student Legal Services</td>
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<td>5600 Flatiron Pkwy, Boulder, CO 80301</td>
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<td>Safehouse Progressive Alliance for Nonviolence (SPAN) (confidential services)</td>
<td>835 North Street, Boulder, CO 80304</td>
<td>303-444-2424 (has after-hours phone coverage)</td>
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<td>MESA (Moving to End Sexual Assault) (confidential services)</td>
<td>1455 Dixon Ave., Lafayette, CO 80026</td>
<td>303-443-7300 (has after-hours phone coverage)</td>
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<td>Boulder County Housing and Human Services</td>
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<td>TRU Community Care (Hospice)</td>
<td>2594 Trailridge Drive East, Lafayette, CO 80026</td>
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<td>Emergency Family Assistance Association</td>
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<td>Mental Health Crisis Line (confidential services)</td>
<td>1333 Iris Ave, Boulder, CO 80304</td>
<td>303-447-1665 (has after-hours phone coverage)</td>
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<td>Boulder County District Attorney’s Office</td>
<td>1777 6th Street, Boulder, CO 80302</td>
<td>303-441-3700</td>
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<td>Boulder County Sheriff's Victim Advocates</td>
<td>5600 Flatiron Pkwy, Boulder, CO 80301</td>
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3. Off-Campus, Online State and National Resources:

Other resources available to persons who report being the victim of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, include:

- **Colorado Coalition Against Sexual Assault (CCASA)**
- **Violence Free Colorado, formerly Colorado Coalition Against Domestic Violence (CCADV))**
- **Survivors Organizing for Liberation, formerly Colorado Anti-Violence Program (LGBTQ survivors of sexual or domestic violence)**
- **Women of Color Network** (minority women survivors of sexual or domestic violence)
- **WINGS Foundation** (survivors of childhood sexual abuse)
- **Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network**
- **Department of Justice**
**Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights**

**Explanation of CU Boulder Procedure for Disciplinary Action**

The CU Boulder disciplinary process provides a prompt, fair, and impartial investigation and resolution process from the initial investigation to the final result/outcome. The proceedings are conducted by officials who receive training at least annually on issues related to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, and how to conduct an investigation and to ensure a process that protects the safety of victims and promotes accountability. Proceedings are initiated when the Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance (OIEC) is notified of a potential violation of CU Boulder policies falling within its jurisdiction. A person can file a complaint of violation of these policies by contacting the OIEC by phone at 303-492-2127, or by e-mail at cureport@colorado.edu.

CU Boulder OIEC investigators will determine the most appropriate means for addressing the report or complaint. Options include: (1) formal investigation; (2) informal resolution; (3) closing the matter upon preliminary inquiry upon determining that the facts of the complaint or report, even if true, would not constitute a violation of a University policy; or (4) if the complaint has been made against a University employee, referring the matter to that employee’s disciplinary authority or supervisor, who may initiate or impose disciplinary action as appropriate. The informal process mentioned in option two above is not a disciplinary proceeding. The primary focus during an informal resolution remains the welfare of the complainant and the safety of the campus community, but it does not involve a written report or a determination as to whether a policy has been violated. In these cases, the OIEC may provide interim or long-term remedies the complainant that do not require notification to the respondent; provide targeted or broad-based educational programming or training; and/or meet with the respondent to discuss the behavior as alleged and provide an opportunity to respond. No complaint is automatically addressed using a certain type of proceeding, but rather the totality of the circumstances is reviewed on a case-by-case basis to that the investigators may determine the most prompt, effective, and equitable manner of addressing the complaint. However, sexual violence allegations are never resolved through mediation and sexual violence complainants have the right to end the informal resolution process at any time and commence a formal investigation if one is otherwise warranted.

If a formal investigation is commenced, the OIEC will send the accuser (“complainant”) and the accused (“respondent”) a notice of investigation, after which the respondent has three days to set up a meeting with the OIEC. The OIEC follows an investigative model whereby investigator(s) interview the complainant and the respondent separately and provide each party the opportunity to be heard and to respond. During an investigation, the complainant and the respondent are entitled to the same opportunities to have an advisor of their choice present during the disciplinary process. The advisor may be an attorney or any support person. A list of resources for students, faculty, and staff are listed above. The complainant and respondent are not permitted to directly question each other and are not required to be present together at any point. The complainant and the respondent each have the right to identify witnesses and provide other information relevant to the investigation. Following the fact gathering, the investigator(s) send a written evidence summary of the relevant and material facts to complainant and respondent who each have seven days to review and respond. All investigations and subsequent findings as applicable use the “preponderance of the evidence standard,” which means whether it is more likely than not that the conduct occurred.

Once a formal investigation is complete, the investigator(s) will issue an investigative report, which is reviewed by a standing review committee. The standing review committee reviews the report to assess the thoroughness and fairness of the investigation and determine if the conclusions reached in the report are reasonable. The review committee may review any information contained in the investigative file, may consult with the investigator(s), or may recommend that further investigation or a new investigation be done by the same or other investigator(s). The review committee may not conduct its own investigation. After the standing review committee has approved the investigative report, the report is considered final. Investigative findings related to sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and/or stalking cannot be appealed. Both the complainant and the respondent shall be simultaneously informed, in writing, of the investigative result and sanctioning outcome of any formal investigation, including any change to the
result/outcome and when the result/outcome becomes final. CU Boulder will use its best efforts to complete its investigation and impose sanctions within sixty days of the issuance of a notice of investigation, although this time frame may be extended for good cause. The executive director of OIEC & Title IX Coordinator or designee has the authority to re-open an investigation only in limited circumstances including: (1) when evidence becomes available that was previously outside the University’s ability to access; (2) when the OIEC’s process and procedures were not followed; or (3) when additional circumstances warrant it.

For student respondents, a copy of the investigator(s)’ written report as approved by the standing review committee shall be provided to: (1) the complainant; (2) the respondent; (3) the executive director of OIEC & Title IX coordinator; and (4) the chancellor. If CU Boulder finds the student respondent responsible for violating a provision of the University’s Sexual Misconduct Policy, which is incorporated in the OIEC’s process and procedures, the student will be referred to the executive director of OIEC & Title IX coordinator for sanctions. For employee respondents, a copy of the investigator(s)’ written report as approved by the standing review committee shall be provided to (1) the complainant; (2) the respondent; (3) the respondent’s supervisory upline; (4) the executive director of OIEC & Title IX coordinator; and (5) the chancellor. If CU Boulder determines that the employee respondent has violated the University’s sexual misconduct policy, the respondent will be subject to sanctions imposed by the respondent’s disciplinary authority in consultation with the executive director of OIEC & Title IX coordinator and Human Resources. If the respondent is a faculty member, the Provost or designee is also consulted.

Possible Protective Measures or Sanctions

Protective measures for victims may be available and put into place on an interim basis pending the final outcome of disciplinary procedures regarding sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking.

In the case of an accused student, the director of remedial and protective measures/deputy Title IX coordinator will determine appropriate interim protective measures, which could include, but are not limited to: academic services, transportation changes, no-contact orders enforced by the University, residential relocations, changes to or exclusion from classes, changes to or exclusion from campus activities, campus exclusion orders, and/or interim student suspensions.

In the case of an accused employee, the executive director of OIEC & Title IX coordinator or the director of remedial and protective measures/deputy Title IX coordinator will determine, together with the appropriate disciplinary authorities and/or supervisors, the appropriate interim measures, which could include, but are not limited to: no-contact orders enforced by the University, reassignment to a different position or supervisor, modification of job duties, a temporary leave of absence, and/or campus exclusion orders.

These remedies may be applied to one, both, or multiple parties involved. Violations of these directives and/or protective measures will constitute related violations that may lead to additional disciplinary action. Protective measures imposed may be temporary pending the results of an investigation or may become permanent as determined by CU Boulder.

Students who are found responsible for violating a provision of the University’s sexual misconduct policy, which includes provisions that prohibit sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, will be referred to the executive director of OIEC for sanctions. These sanctions may include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following:
1. Expulsion
2. Suspension
3. Residence hall reassignment
4. Residence hall contract termination
5. Exclusion from some/all campus facilities
6. Restriction or denial of University services
7. Delayed conferral of degree
8. Withholding of official transcript
9. Recommendation for revocation of degree
10. Warning/written reprimand
11. Probation
12. Educational sanctions
13. Additional sanctions.

If it is determined that an employee has violated the University’s sexual misconduct policy, which includes provisions that prohibit sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, the employee will be subject to appropriate employment sanctions imposed by the employee’s disciplinary authority that include, but are not limited to:

1. Termination of employment
2. Reduction in salary/ineligibility for merit increases
3. Demotion
4. Letter of expectation/reprimand
5. Mandatory training
6. Termination of employment contract
7. Job duty modification
8. Exclusion from some/all campus facilities
9. Ineligibility for rehire
10. Additional sanctions.

12. Disclosures to Alleged Victims of Crimes of Violence or Non-Forcible Sex Offenses

CU Boulder will, upon written request, disclose to the alleged victim of a crime of violence (as that term is defined in section 16 of title 18, United States Code), or a non-forcible sex offense (i.e., incest or statutory rape) the report on the results of any disciplinary proceeding conducted by CU Boulder against a student who is the alleged perpetrator of such crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of such crime or offense, the next of kin of such victim shall be provided with the results if so requested.

13. Sex Offender Registration Policy

The federal Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act, enacted on October 28, 2000, requires institutions of higher education to issue a statement advising the campus community where law enforcement agency information provided by a state concerning registered sex offenders may be obtained. It also requires sex offenders already required to
register in a state to provide notice, as required under state law, of each institution of higher education in that state at which the person is employed, carries on a vocation, volunteers services, or is a student.

Law enforcement information concerning registered sex offenders at CU Boulder may be obtained from CUPD’s records section during normal business hours. The records section can be reached at 303-492-5111. You can view the state of Colorado’s sex offender registry here. To view the Boulder Police Department’s sex offender registry, go to their website.

14. Drug and Alcohol Policy

Statement Addressing Possession, Use, and Sale of Alcoholic Beverages

1. Alcohol Use at CU Boulder

CU Boulder is committed to excellence in all aspects of personal and academic life. Alcohol abuse and misuse are significant impediments to achieving this excellence. Therefore, CU Boulder permits only responsible, legal consumption of alcohol.

CU Boulder complies with all federal, state, and local laws concerning alcohol and illegal drugs. As a CU Boulder student, you are responsible for acquainting yourself with the laws and CU Boulder policies regarding alcohol and illegal drugs.

2. Alcohol Policies

The policies listed below apply to the Boulder campus and to CU Boulder-sponsored activities at off-campus locations. Administrators, alumni, faculty, guests, staff, and students must adhere to all applicable state and local laws and CU Boulder policies related to the possession, sale, and use of alcoholic beverages. Those persons or organizations making decisions that control the service of alcoholic beverages are responsible for compliance with applicable laws and CU Boulder policies.

3. Standards of Conduct

The information contained within the Student Conduct Code Policies and Procedures 2018-19 (“code”) applies to all students at CU Boulder regardless of designation, program, or residence. The code is available on the Student Conduct website. To obtain a paper copy of the publication, contact the Office of Student Conduct at 303-492-5550.

The code governs:

a. Student conduct that occurs on or as it relates to CU Boulder property or at official functions and CU Boulder sponsored programs conducted away from the campus. CU Boulder property is defined as land, buildings, and facilities in possession of or owned, used, or controlled by CU Boulder or funded by CU Boulder budgets.

b. Student conduct that occurs off CU Boulder property is subject to this policy if it: (1) adversely affects the health, safety, or security of any member of the CU Boulder community or the mission of CU Boulder; or (2) involves any records or documents of CU Boulder.

c. For purposes of this policy, CU Boulder’s mission is broadly defined to include both its academic goals and the importance of developing civic responsibility by our students.

CUPD enforces all state and local underage drinking laws related to the possession, use, and sale of alcoholic beverages. Students can have fun, but in a responsible way so that does not endanger others. In effect, a student would not face suspension for first-time illegal possession or consumption of alcohol, but CU Boulder would hold
accountable any student who provided alcohol or other drugs in violation of state and federal laws and as a result caused harm to or potentially endangered another person.

4. Laws Related to Alcohol Use and Sale

1. The sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited except in designated areas at times and dates licensed by the Colorado State Department of Revenue.
2. Persons under 21 years of age cannot legally possess or consume malt beverages, fermented malt liquor, or vinous or spirituous liquor. The furnishing of alcoholic beverages to underage persons is prohibited.
3. No person under legal drinking age or any obviously intoxicated person shall be furnished, served, or given an alcoholic beverage.
4. Alcohol cannot be consumed or carried in open containers on any street, sidewalk, alley, automobile, or public area.

The CU Boulder’s alcohol service and alcohol events policies are available on the University’s webpage and on the CUPD Events webpage.

Statement Addressing Illegal Drugs

The sale, manufacture, distribution, use, and/or possession of illegal drugs are prohibited. Students accused or suspected of violating CU Boulder’s drug policy may be referred to the Office of Student Conduct for disciplinary action. CUPD enforces all state and local drug laws and all CU Boulder policies regarding drug use, possession, sale, etc. CUPD officers may provide information regarding investigations involving federal drug laws to federal law enforcement authorities when it is requested by those authorities or when officers believe those authorities would have a particular interest in the information.

Please note that the 2012 passage of Colorado’s Amendment 64 (legalization of small amounts of marijuana) does not affect any drug law as it pertains to those under the age of 21. The consumption of marijuana in campus buildings and outdoor areas of campus is prohibited by federal law and CU Boulder policy. For frequently asked questions on Amendment 64, please visit the CU Boulder website.

Contact the Office of Student Conduct at 303-492-5550 for more information concerning CU Boulder drug policy and disciplinary procedures, as well as students’ rights within the disciplinary procedures.

In accordance with the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act, the Department of Human Resources sends information annually to all campus employees regarding the campus drug and alcohol policy. The campus drug and alcohol policy can be found on the CU Boulder Human Resources webpage or the Counseling and Psychiatric Services webpage.
Drug and Alcohol Abuse Education Programs

CU Boulder offers a variety of drug- and alcohol-abuse education programs for students and employees. For information on these programs and other resources, visit the Alcohol and Other Drugs webpage or, which contains information about CU Boulder’s Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program, pursuant to section 120(a) through (d) of the Higher Education Opportunity Act.

Additional information on CU Boulder’s drug- and alcohol-abuse education programs is available in CU Boulder’s Biennial Review Report. You can obtain a copy of the 2016 report by contacting Health Promotion: health.promotion@colorado.edu.

15. Campus Facilities

Statement Addressing Access to Campus Facilities

Residence Halls

All residence hall doors that lead to living areas are locked 24 hours a day. The lobbies or common areas of residence halls are open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. During these hours, a resident may enter the hall through the lobby or common area to access the living areas, using the Buff OneCard electronic access. Access to residence halls is restricted to residents and guests. Friends and guests of a resident may enter the lobby or common area until midnight and call the resident to gain access. All visitors and guests must be escorted by the resident while in the residence hall. After 8 p.m., the visitor must call the resident to gain access from outside the residence hall, and the resident must go to the locked lobby door and allow the visitor to enter. The visitor then must be escorted by the resident while in the building.

All residence halls use an electronic key access system. Access to a resident’s room will be placed on the resident’s Buff OneCard. Only the residents of each respective room are given access to that room. When temporary key cards are made in when a Buff OneCard is lost, the new card overrides the access on that student’s Buff OneCard for security purposes. The temporary key has a short expiration date and the resident is instructed to get a new Buff OneCard for permanent access. When the new Buff OneCard is issued, the temporary access is overridden and the new card provides the only access to the room. It is the responsibility of the resident to notify the residence hall office if the Buff OneCard is lost.

Campus Buildings

As a member of the campus community, you, in addition to CU Boulder guests and visitors, have access to most campus buildings and facilities during regular hours on weekdays and for scheduled events in the evenings and on Saturdays and Sundays, excluding most holidays. CUPD’s Community Safety Officials is responsible for locking and unlocking designated CU Boulder buildings and for patrolling campus grounds and buildings. If you need assistance in gaining authorized entry outside of business hours to a CU Boulder building or room and no other help is available, you may call CUPD at 303-492-6666.

Statement Addressing Security of Campus Facilities

1. Residence Halls

Residents are instructed to maintain high security in the residence halls by not admitting unescorted guests. Residents should never allow strangers to follow them through locked security doors into their residence halls.
At check in, residents are provided with a Buff OneCard that has access to the residence hall and the resident’s specific room. Additionally, the student receives a mailbox key. Outside doors to the residence hall should never be propped open, and malfunctioning doors should be reported to the hall office. Residents are advised to keep their room door locked and closed whenever they leave and to carry their Buff OneCard with them at all times.

Security cameras are installed on the outside doors of the residence halls and in the lobby areas.

2. Campus Buildings

CU Boulder police officers and community safety officials personnel regularly patrol the exterior and interior of campus buildings throughout the night, on weekends and during holidays. These employees report door lock and security hardware failures to Facilities Management on an as-needed basis.

**Statement Addressing Security Considerations in the Maintenance of Campus Facilities**

1. Lighting

Exterior campus lighting is essential in creating a safe campus environment. Motor vehicle parking lots and structures, main pedestrian walkways and bike paths and most campus building exteriors are lighted throughout the night. Maintenance, custodial, police, parking, and residence hall personnel advise the Facilities Management Service Desk on an ongoing basis of any lighting outages that occur. Exterior lighting receives periodic inspections to identify any unreported lighting failures. These failures are assigned a high priority in the high-voltage electrical shop and are normally repaired within 24 to 48 hours.

2. Trees, Vines, and Shrubs

The campus groundskeepers trim trees, vines, shrubs and other vegetation on a regular basis to enhance campus security. Pedestrian walkways, building entrances, windows and lighting fixtures are kept free from obstructing vegetation. Building proctors are encouraged to report any specific concerns regarding vegetation to the Facilities Management Service Desk at 303-492-5522.

16. Campus Counseling, Mental Health and Other Resources

**Counseling and Psychiatric Services**

Counseling and Psychiatric Services (CAPS) offers a wide range of confidential mental health services tailored to fit the needs of CU Boulder students. These services include individual and couples counseling, groups and workshops, crisis care, psychological testing, evaluation and treatment of various mental health concerns and medical evaluation and medication management. Walk-in services without appointment are available from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at the CAPS location in the Center for Community. CAPS provides free consultation about any student of concern to students, staff, faculty and parents. If you are a CU Boulder student or if you need to discuss concerns about a CU Boulder student that cannot wait until business hours please call 303-492-CAPS (2277) and press “2” to speak to a mental health professional after-hours.

For more information visit the Health Services counseling webpage.
Faculty and Staff Assistance Program

The Faculty and Staff Assistance Program can be reached at 303-492-3020 and is located at 3100 Marine Street, ARC Building, 3rd Floor, Room A353, 565 UCB. Information on FSAP’s services can be found on their website.

FSAP provides short-term counseling for faculty and staff as individuals, couples and families. FSAP also provides conflict resolution and mediation services. FSAP services are confidential.

FSAP provides up to six sessions per individual per year for those clients appropriate for a short-term therapeutic model. For those needing longer-term care (e.g., chronic mental illness, high risk for suicide, personality disorders, or others needing long-term care), FSAP helps clients find resources in the community to obtain longer-term counseling.

Office of Victim Assistance

The Office of Victim Assistance (OVA) provides free, confidential response services for students, faculty, and staff who experience traumatic, disturbing or disruptive life events. OVA does this by providing information, support, advocacy and short-term counseling. OVA responds to situations including, but not limited to, physical assault and hazing, experiences of bias, death, discrimination and harassment including sexual harassment, intimate partner abuse, serious accidents, sexual assault and stalking, as well as other potentially traumatic situations. OVA helps people learn about and assess their options in these situations, as well as offers counseling.

OVA can be reached by telephone at 303-492-8855 or by email at assist@colorado.edu. OVA is located at the Center for Community, Suite N352, and can be reached on the web. OVA is open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For after hours, call 303-492-8855 and press “2” to speak to a counselor.

Student Support and Case Management

Student Support and Case Management (SSCM) includes case managers who act as members of the Student of Concern Team (SOCT) and reach out to students, offering assistance with referrals to campus and community resources, and assisting in the development of an action plan with the student. The goal is to assist the student, avert more serious difficulties, and ensure the safety of both the student and the CU community. Campus staff, faculty, and students may refer a student to SOCT by submitting a report directly to a case manager using the online form (available through this webform) that goes directly to a case manager, via phone at 303-492-7348, or by email at SOCT@colorado.edu. For more information visit the Student Support and Case Management webpage.

Other CU Boulder Services

CU Boulder offers a multitude of resources for students, faculty, and staff to ensure their success while a part of the CU Boulder community.

For up-to-date information on these programs, please visit the following websites:

- For students
- For staff/faculty
17. APPENDIX A – Colorado Revised Statutes Definitions Related to Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking

C.R.S. 18-3-402. Sexual Assault
(1) Any actor who knowingly inflicts sexual intrusion or sexual penetration on a victim commits sexual assault if:
   (a) The actor causes submission of the victim by means of sufficient consequence reasonably calculated to cause submission against the victim’s will; or
   (b) The actor knows that the victim is incapable of appraising the nature of the victim’s conduct; or
   (c) The actor knows that the victim submits erroneously, believing the actor to be the victim’s spouse; or
   (d) At the time of the commission of the act, the victim is less than fifteen years of age and the actor is at least four years older than the victim and is not the spouse of the victim; or
   (e) At the time of the commission of the act, the victim is at least fifteen years of age but less than seventeen years of age and the actor is at least ten years older than the victim and is not the spouse of the victim; or
   (f) The victim is in custody of law or detained in a hospital or other institution and the actor has supervisory or disciplinary authority over the victim and uses this position of authority to coerce the victim to submit, unless the act is incident to a lawful search; or
   (g) The actor, while purporting to offer a medical service, engages in treatment or examination of a victim for other than a bona fide medical purpose or in a manner substantially inconsistent with reasonable medical practices; or
   (h) The victim is physically helpless and the actor knows the victim is physically helpless and the victim has not consented.

*Note that subparagraphs (d) and (e) above define the offense in Colorado related to the Clery Act crime of Statutory Rape.

C.R.S. 18-3-404. Unlawful Sexual Contact
(1) Any actor who knowingly subjects a victim to any sexual contact commits unlawful sexual contact if:
   (a) The actor knows that the victim does not consent; or
   (b) The actor knows that the victim is incapable of appraising the nature of the victim’s conduct; or
   (c) The victim is physically helpless and the actor knows that the victim is physically helpless and the victim has not consented; or
   (d) The actor has substantially impaired the victim’s power to appraise or control the victim’s conduct by employing, without the victim’s consent, any drug, intoxicant, or other means for the purpose of causing submission; or
   (e) Repealed.
   (f) The victim is in custody of law or detained in a hospital or other institution and the actor has supervisory or disciplinary authority over the victim and uses this position of authority, unless incident to a lawful search, to coerce the victim to submit; or
   (g) The actor engages in treatment or examination of a victim for other than bona fide medical purposes or in a manner substantially inconsistent with reasonable medical practices.

(1.5) Any person who knowingly, with or without sexual contact, induces or coerces a child by any of the means set forth in section 18-3-402 to expose intimate parts or to engage in any sexual contact, intrusion, or penetration with another person, for the purpose of the actor’s own sexual gratification, commits unlawful sexual contact. For the purposes of this subsection (1.5), the term “child” means any person under the age of eighteen years.

C.R.S. 18-6-301. Incest
(1) Any person who knowingly marries, inflicts sexual penetration or sexual intrusion on, or subjects to sexual contact, as defined in section 18-3-401, an ancestor or descendant, including a natural child, child by adoption, or stepchild twenty-one years of age or older, a brother or sister of the whole or half blood, or an uncle, aunt, nephew, or niece of the whole blood commits incest, which is a class 4 felony. For the purpose of this section only, “descendant” includes a child by adoption and a stepchild, but only if the person is not legally married to the child by adoption or the stepchild.

C.R.S. 18-6-302. Aggravated Incest
(1) A person commits aggravated incest when he or she knowingly:
   (a) Marries his or her natural child or inflicts sexual penetration or sexual intrusion on or subjects to sexual contact, as defined in section 18-3-401, his or her natural child, stepchild, or child by adoption, but this paragraph (a) shall not apply when the person is legally married to the stepchild or child by adoption. For the purpose of this paragraph (a) only, “child” means a person under twenty-one years of age.
   (b) Marries, inflicts sexual penetration or sexual intrusion on, or subjects to sexual contact, as defined in section 18-3-401, a descendant, a brother or sister of the whole or half blood, or an uncle, aunt, nephew, or niece of the whole blood who is under ten years of age.

C.R.S. 18-6-800.3. Domestic Violence
As used in this part 8, unless the context otherwise requires:
(1) “Domestic violence” means an act or threatened act of violence upon a person with whom the actor is or has been involved in an intimate relationship. “Domestic violence” also includes any other crime against a person, or against property, including an animal, or any municipal ordinance violation against a person, or against property, including an animal, when used as a method of coercion, control, punishment, intimidation, or revenge directed against a person with whom the actor is or has been involved in an intimate relationship.
(2) “Intimate relationship” means a relationship between spouses, former spouses, past or present unmarried couples, or persons who are both the parents of the same child regardless of whether the persons have been married or have lived together at any time.

Colorado Revised Statutes do not contain an offense relating to Dating Violence.

C.R.S. 18-3-602. Stalking
(1) A person commits stalking if directly, or indirectly through another person, the person knowingly:
   (a) Makes a credible threat to another person and, in connection with the threat, repeatedly follows, approaches, contacts, or places under surveillance that person, a member of that person’s immediate family, or someone with whom that person has or has had a continuing relationship; or
   (b) Makes a credible threat to another person and, in connection with the threat, repeatedly makes any form of communication with that person, a member of that person’s immediate family, or someone with whom that person has or has had a continuing relationship, regardless of whether a conversation ensues; or
   (c) Repeatedly follows, approaches, contacts, places under surveillance, or makes any form of communication with another person, a member of that person’s immediate family, or someone with whom that person has or has had a continuing relationship in a manner that would cause a reasonable person to suffer serious emotional distress and does cause that person, a member of that person’s immediate family, or someone with whom that person has or has had a continuing relationship to suffer serious emotional distress. For purposes of this paragraph (c), a victim need not show that he or she received professional treatment or counseling to show that he or she suffered serious emotional distress.
(2) For the purposes of this part 6:
(a) Conduct “in connection with” a credible threat means acts that further, advance, promote, or have a continuity of purpose, and may occur before, during, or after the credible threat.

(b) “Credible threat” means a threat, physical action, or repeated conduct that would cause a reasonable person to be in fear for the person’s safety or the safety of his or her immediate family or of someone with whom the person has or has had a continuing relationship. The threat need not be directly expressed if the totality of the conduct would cause a reasonable person such fear.

(c) “Immediate family” includes the person’s spouse and the person’s parent, grandparent, sibling, or child.

(d) “Repeated” or “repeatedly” means on more than one occasion.
18. Introduction

On August 14, 2008, President George W. Bush signed the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008. In order to comply with this act and to better inform University of Colorado students, prospective students, and parents of how fires affect university residential facilities, the Fire- and Life-Safety Group (FLS) has compiled all required fire statistics and fire safety information for on-campus student housing facilities into the 2017 Annual Fire Safety Report. Additional campus fire and life safety policies can be found on our website.

19. Description of Fire Safety Systems for On-Campus Student Housing Facilities

Table 1 below describes the safety systems in place at each of the residence halls at the University of Colorado Boulder. It also includes information on university owned family and apartment housing. All buildings also have portable fire extinguishers sized and located in accordance with adopted building code and fire code. Each facility also has emergency evacuation plans in place indicating locations of exits, manual fire alarm boxes, and portable fire extinguishers.
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20. Number of Fire Drills Performed

Fire drills are performed in on-campus residential halls once per semester (twice per calendar year). Refer to Table 1 in previous section for dates of each fire drill performed.

21. Fire Safety Policies in Student Housing Facilities

A full list of policies in student housing facilities and procedures that promote fire safety can be found on their website.

**Portable Electric Appliances**

Electrical appliances that can generate heat or malfunction should never be left unattended. They should be unplugged after use and not stored until they are cool enough to touch. Personal portable electric heaters should not be used except under extraordinary circumstances and after conditional written approval by the Department of Housing and the campus fire marshal. UL listed baseboard heaters distributed by the Department of Housing are acceptable provided the circuits are not overloaded and other safety precautions are observed.

**Smoking**

All residence halls are designated as completely smoke free. Smoking is not permitted in residential or common areas of the residence halls. Smoking is permitted outside the residence halls 25 feet away from entrances, windows, vents or any other area where the smoke may impact other community members. Careless disposal of matches and cigarette butts is a common cause of fire. Use caution when disposing of such items.

If living in off-campus rentals, avoid smoking on all type of combustible furniture. Smoking in bed is extremely dangerous and is one of the primary causes of fires in living areas. Also please ensure that a sufficient number of ashtrays are provided and that ashtrays are emptied on a regular basis and when necessary.

**Open Flames**

Many fires occurring in residence hall are a result of burning candles. Camp stoves open coil heating or cooking elements, kerosene lamps, etc., can be extremely hazardous. These open flame devices are not permitted in student rooms. Similarly, burning incense is not allowed. Cooking on barbecue grills and hibachis is not allowed in or around the halls. Activities such as making candles or waxing skis are not permitted in your room or areas in the halls other than those designated by the Department of Housing and approved by the campus fire marshal.

22. Procedures for Student Housing Fire Evacuation

In the event of a fire, all building occupants are instructed to always evacuate the building promptly via the nearest clear exit and to remain in the designated area outside the building until they are given the word to re-enter the building. Staff and residents have been made aware of manual fire alarm box locations within the facility and the fire alarm system may be activated while exiting the building, but in no case should residents jeopardize their safety to activate the alarms. Once outside the building, the fire should be reported by dialing 9-1-1.
The following fire emergency instructions are posted in each student room:

**If You Hear a Fire Alarm**

1. Immediately evacuate the building via the shortest and safest route. Do not use elevators.
2. If you notice smoke, use the alternative escape route.
3. Test doors with the back of your hand before opening them. If the door is warm or if you notice smoke, use an alternative escape route. Check paths for safety before proceeding and close doors behind you.
4. Crawl low if you have to go through smoke.
5. Go to a safe area or to a pre-assigned exterior area for your building.
6. If you suspect that someone is missing or trapped, contact the emergency personnel outside the building.
7. If you are trapped during a fire emergency, close all doors between you and the fire. Stuff cracks around the doors to keep out smoke. Wait at a safe window and signal/call for help. If there is a phone in the room, call the fire department or 911 and tell them exactly where you are.
8. Stop, Drop and Roll if your clothing catches fire.

**If You Discover a Fire**

1. Leave the fire area and close the door to the area.
2. Sound the fire alarm.
3. Immediately evacuate the building via the shortest and safest route. (Proper use of fire extinguishers within extinguisher limits and by trained individuals is optional but should not be attempted until building alarm is actuated and people are evacuated.
4. Do not use elevators. A fire can disrupt the operation of elevators and trap occupants inside.
5. If you notice smoke, use the alternate escape route.
6. Test doors with the back of your hand before opening them. If the door is warm or if you notice smoke, use an alternative escape route. Check paths for safety before proceeding and close doors behind you.
7. Crawl low if you have to go through smoke.
8. Go to a safe area or to a pre-assigned exterior area for your building.
9. From the nearest phone in a safe area, call 911.
10. Await emergency response personnel at safe location and direct them to the scene.
11. If you suspect that someone is missing or trapped, contact the emergency personnel outside the building.
12. If you are trapped during a fire emergency, close all doors between you and the fire and stuff cracks around the doors to keep out smoke. Wait at a safe window and signal/call for help. If there is a phone in the room, call 911 and tell them exactly where you are.
13. Stop, drop and roll if your clothing catches fire.
Once You Have Evacuated

1. From the nearest phone in the safe area, call 911.
2. If you suspect that someone is missing or trapped, contact firefighters on scene or at the fire engine, police officers, or ambulance personnel.
3. Await emergency response personnel at a safe location and direct them to the scene. Report the fire to the hall office or the nearest available resident advisor. Do not reenter the building until instructed to do so by the fire department.
4. Follow directions of fire and police personnel and the housing staff.
5. Report to the person who is taking roll.
6. Never reenter the building to save your personal belongings.
7. Stay calm.

23. Policies Students and Employees Should Follow In Case of a Fire

Your worst enemy during a fire is smoke. If you’re surrounded by smoke, get down on the floor and crawl to safety. Hold your breath and close your eyes if you can. Close doors behind you as you escape. Always use stairs to escape, never an elevator. Here are a few simple fire safety tips:

- Learn the location of fire exits and alarm pull stations near you and know the emergency number for assistance – 911.
- Sound the fire alarm if you see smoke or detect a burning odor.
- Have a prepared escape plan and know your escape route.
- Remember to remain calm.
- Use exit stairs. Never use elevators.
- Close doors behind you as you escape. In most cases, this will prevent smoke damage and fire from entering the room you are exiting.
- Do not re-enter a fire-damaged building until it has been declared safe.
- If you become trapped, seal off cracks around doors and vents with cloth or rugs. (Soak them in water if possible.)
- Shut off fans and air conditioners.
- Signal for help from a window. If a campus phone is still operational, call 911.

24. Fire Safety Education and Training Programs

RA Academy

The Resident Advisor (RA) Fire Academy is held each August at the University of Colorado Boulder. The program is run by Boulder Fire-Rescue and is designed to teach student staff and professional staff (including hall directors) about fire safety and lead effectively during emergencies. Included in this training is: fire extinguisher techniques and practice; smoke tower evacuation through non-toxic theatrical smoke to teach the importance of evacuating immediately, scavenger hunt activity through the burn building to demonstrate the importance of clear and accurate “pass-on” messages, and group classroom scenarios on what to do while waiting for emergency personnel to arrive. Kim Scott, Boulder’s Fire Safety Education Coordinator, organizes this event and can be contacted at ScottK@bouldercolorado.gov.
Leadership Fire Academy

The Boulder Fire Department hosts the annual Leadership Fire Academy the second week of September at the University of Colorado Boulder. The Leadership Academy trains student leaders from sororities, fraternities, student government and other influential student organizations in hopes of giving them life-saving information to share with their peers. These students learn the importance of evacuation strategies, fire behavior in structures, how to properly use a fire extinguisher, and familiarity with search and rescue techniques used by firefighters. During the academy, students are assigned to work in a “fire crew” that is placed in situations that require teamwork and cooperation in order to overcome simulated fire emergencies.

The crews will rotate through various activities including:

- A five-story evacuation simulation
- A hose station requiring them to connect a hose to a hydrant
- Pull hose from a truck and charge a water line
- Fire extinguisher use
- Compression-only CPR training
- Emergency responder and campus fire policy panel discussion.

This program is a joint venture of Boulder Fire Rescue Safety Education and University of Colorado Boulder Office of Student Affairs. It represents an ongoing collaboration between City and University leaders on important safety issues. Kim Scott, Boulder’s Fire Safety Education Coordinator, organizes this event and can be contacted at ScottK@bouldercolorado.gov.

Community Living Agreement Workshop (CLAW)

At the beginning of the fall semester, fire safety information, and information regarding common fire hazards/safety violations are addressed with residents. Each resident advisor (RA) will address fire safety as part of their Community Living Agreement Workshop (CLAW). Similar information relating to the hazards of fires in residence halls is repeated to residents during the academic year. This may be relayed to residents via newsletters, fliers, or by special memoranda to residents coordinated through the associate director.

25. Fire Reporting

Per federal law, University of Colorado Boulder is required to annually disclose statistical data on all fires that occur in on-campus student housing facilities. The following directions are for use by CU Boulder faculty, staff, students, and visitors, for ensuring that the proper authorities are contacted when a fire occurs.

Emergency Procedure

These directions are specifically for when a small fire has been discovered even if it is extinguished before the fire department is called. Please note that the Boulder Fire Department needs to be called (dial 9-1-1) for any fire accidents on campus, no matter how small it may be.

1. Contact 9-1-1, even if the fire appears to be extinguished. If using a non-campus (cell) phone, mention that you are calling from CU Boulder.
2. Wait, in a safe location, for the fire department to arrive.
Non-Emergency Procedure

Listed below is the procedure for reporting fires that have already been extinguished or where evidence of an extinguished fire exists. These are for fires for which you are unsure whether Facilities Management may already be aware. If you find evidence of a fire or if you hear about such a fire, please contact the following:

1. Contact the Facilities Management Center at 303-492-5522.
   a. Inform them of your location, the fire location and whether you believe it has been extinguished.
   b. Inform the service desk if a fire extinguisher was discharged during the fire and request a replacement extinguisher as soon as possible.
   c. Provide them with the location of this extinguisher.

All calls related to fire incidents received by the Facilities Management Service Desk are routed to the University police and the Boulder Fire Department for response by the emergency/first responders on duty. The service center supervisor relays immediate information to the campus fire marshal. CUPD records manager forwards incident reports to the campus fire marshal.

Reporting Flow Chart

26. Plans for Future Improvement

In an effort to promote safety, new campus buildings will continue to be constructed in full compliance with building and fire codes. We continue to improve fire safety features in older buildings as we request funds and they become available. For example, fire sprinklers are continuously installed in many older buildings, stairwells are being enclosed, etc. These actions will greatly increase student and staff safety, and in the regrettable event of a fire, will reduce the extent and severity of the emergency.

Specific goals towards this plan for improvements include:

1. Provide fully supervised automatic fire sprinkler coverage for the following buildings
   a. Student Recreation Center (REC – 384) – completed 2014
   b. McKenna Languages Bldg (MKNA – 237) – anticipated completion 2018
   c. Economics Building (ECON – 215) – anticipated completion 2018
2. Implement an integrated fire alarm/mass notification system on campus using a combination of new and existing infrastructure.

3. These improvements will be made barring any unforeseen circumstances.

### 27. Fire Statistics

The University of Colorado at Boulder maintains a written fire log that records any fire that occurs in an on-campus student housing facility. To view a hard copy of the current fire log, please contact the campus fire marshal at 303-492-4042. An up-to-date electronic version of this fire log is accessible anytime on the Fire and Life Safety website.

**Historical Data:**
- 2017 Fire Log
- 2016 Fire Log
- 2015 Fire Log

Additionally, annual fire statistics are compiled for every on-campus student housing facility. An electronic copy is accessible anytime at the following link:

- 2017 Fire Statistics
- 2016 Fire Statistics
- 2015 Fire Statistics

The three most recent years are included within Appendix A of this report.

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