

During the past several weeks, the Metropolitan Police Department has reported seven robberies in the area around American University. **None of these robberies has occurred on AU property**. The synopsis of each event, as reported through the District of Columbia AlertDC system or by MPD, are listed below.

Event #1 and 2 –01/16/2017 at 8:16 PM: Robbery While Armed in the 4700 Block of Tilden Street NW/ 8:27 PM in the 5300 Block of Sherier Place, NW

Suspect #1-2: Black/Male, early 20s. Suspect 1 is slim, of a dark complexion and is around 5'11. Suspect 2 is of a light complexion with curly hair. Were last seen in a 4 door sedan.

Event #3 - 01/24/2017 at 2:00 AM: Robbery, in the 5300 Block of 43rd Street, NW

Suspect #1and 2: Black/Males. Last seen wearing all black clothes and ski masks.

Event #4 – 01/29/2017 at 10:21 PM: Robbery While Armed, 3600 Block of Chesapeake Street, NW

Suspect#1: Black/Male, 5'9. Black hair with a slim build. Last seen wearing a dark jacket with fur.

Event #5 - 01/30/2017 at 10:12 PM: Robbery While Armed, in the 4300 Block of 37th Street, NW

Suspect #1: Black/Male, 5'6. Last seen wearing a hood sweatshirt and a dark raincoat.

Event #6 – 02/22/2017 at 5:24 PM: Robbery, Intersection of 49th Street and Glenbrook Road, NW

Suspect#1: Hispanic male 18-21 years old with spiked hair. Last seen wearing blue jeans and a black hoodie. Suspect#2: Hispanic male, 18-21 years old with short hair. Last seen wearing blue jeans.

Event #7 – 02/22/2017 at 11:28 PM: Robbery While Armed, in the 4100 Block of Massachusetts Avenue, NW

Suspects # 1-3: Hispanic males, one wearing a white hoodie, two wearing dark hoodies.

If you have information related to this incident, or witness suspicious activity, please call the AU Police Department at **202-885-3636** or **911** for the Metropolitan Police Department.

Make a Confidential Tip through the Department of Public Safety Webpage at: http://www.american.edu/finance/publicsafety/tips.cfm

Safety Tips

- Walk in groups whenever possible and look out for each other.
- Avoid isolated and dark areas especially at night.
- Avoid displaying valuable property in public (i.e. cell phones, MP3 players, cash, etc.)
- Keep your cell phone accessible.
- If you are approached, take note of the person's appearance, clothing, and anything unusual that will help identify the suspect.
- Be aware of the emergency telephones (yellow boxes on pillars, blue light emergency phone towers, and red telephones) located on campus, in building lobbies, elevators, and in parking lots.
- For off-campus assistance in the event of a crime or emergency, contact 911. For on campus crimes and emergencies, contact (202) 885-3636.
- The Department of Public Safety provides escorts, twenty-four hours a day/seven days a week, for community members to and front university-owned property. To arrange an escort, call (202) 885-2527 or use a blue light or red emergency phone.

If you would like a copy of this advisory, please visit: <u>http://www.american.edu/finance/publicsafety/crimealerts.cfm</u>

Emergency: 202-885-3636