Timely Warning (21-01)

Clery Crime: Robbery

Under the Clery Act, the University of Florida issues Timely Warning messages regarding Clery Act crimes which pose a serious and continuing threat to the campus community.

The University of Florida Police Department was notified by the Gainesville Police Department of a robbery that took place this morning, Thursday, January 7, 2021. At 5:55 a.m., the suspect entered the Circle K gas station at 2320 SW Archer Road and demanded money from the clerk. The suspect was armed with a knife and fled the scene heading eastbound on Archer Road, passing through the southeast portion of the University of Florida campus.

The suspect is described as a 40-year-old heavyset black male, who was wearing a grey shirt and black pants at the time of the incident. The suspect is believed to have been driving a maroon colored SUV. The Gainesville Police Department is investigating this incident. If you have any information about this incident, please contact the Gainesville Police Department at 352-393-7744 or via email at pagedj@cityofgainesville.org.

The University of Florida Police Department and the University of Florida firmly believe that no action or inaction makes any person responsible for another person’s abuse or criminal conduct. These safety tips and information are provided to assist members of the UF community.

If you believe you encounter or see the suspect, in this case, call the Gainesville Police Department at 352-393-7744 immediately.

Trust your instincts. If you feel uneasy or sense something is wrong, do what you can to get out of that situation or call for assistance.

Always be alert and aware of your surroundings. This is particularly true if you are wearing headphones and may not be able to hear someone near or behind you.

If you would like to discuss personal safety information or safety information for your academic or business area please contact the University of Florida Police Department at 352-392-1111.

Information for support resources, services and programs at the University of Florida can be found at: https://police.ufl.edu/clery/victim-resources/