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Department of Campus Safety

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Annual Security and Fire Safety Report

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In compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics

PREFACE

This report is provided to the community as a part of Saint Peter's University's commitment to safety. It contains both the Annual Security and Fire Safety Report for the Jersey City Campus and the Clery Crime Statistics for the past three years. It has been produced in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (also known as the Clery Act or Campus Security Act), codified at 20 U.S.C. 1092(f) as part of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (HEA).

This report is distributed annually via Internet to all Saint Peter's University students and employees. A hard copy report is made available to all upon request.

Further information about Saint Peter's University, regulations, fire safety and security services is available in the student handbook and online at 2026 Annual Security and Fire Safety Report

Welcome from the Department of Campus Safety

On behalf of the Department of Campus Safety, welcome to Saint Peter's University. We hope you find this report a helpful resource in regard to your safety and security on our campus. Our University community recognizes that safety is everyone's responsibility. We appreciate the opportunity to share with you information regarding Campus Safety policies, programs, and services, as well as campus crime statistics for the past three calendar years. Providing the Saint Peter's University community with a safe and secure campus conducive to learning is of the utmost importance and is the primary mission of the Department of Campus Safety.

The Department of Campus Safety is responsible for the protection of life and property, the enforcement of University policies, the prevention and detection of on-campus crimes and other violations, emergency response management, and other safety services.

The safety and security of Saint Peter's University is a mission shared by all who live, work, and study here. The Campus Safety Department and the university will strive to provide our community with a safe and secure learning environment.

Crime prevention and awareness play a vital role in this educational mission. By creating a trusting partnership with our community, we share the responsibility of safety and security with each other. Through an established partnership with the Jersey City Police Department we strive to provide superior service to keep our campus safe and secure.

This report will provide important information to keep you informed of the procedures that will assist us in maintaining a safe and secure environment for all of our students, administration, faculty and staff at Saint Peter's University.

This annual security report focuses on the Jersey City Campus located at 2641 John F. Kennedy Boulevard Jersey City.

If you have questions or would like further information about safety and security at Saint Peter's University, please contact the Department of Campus Safety at 201-761-7400.

Thank you for taking the time to review this report.

Sincerely,

Scott F, Torre, Director
Department of Campus Safety

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Saint Peter's University Department of Campus Safety

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Saint Peter's University Department of Campus Safety, is to provide a safe, secure, and welcoming environment that supports the university's educational mission. Through professionalism, integrity, proactive prevention, emergency preparedness, and collaborative partnerships with students, faculty, staff and visitors, we are dedicated to protecting life and property, while fostering a culture of respect, accountability, inclusion and service.

Department of Campus Safety:

The Department of Campus Safety reports to the Vice President of Student Life and Development. The department consists of a Director, Assistant Director, and four Department Managers. All but the Operations Manager are retired law enforcement professionals.

Approximately 60 uniformed Campus Safety Officers are provided through a contracted security vendor, currently Arrow Security. Security Officers are certified through SORA, the Security Officer Registration Act, administered by the NJ State Police. Officers are also trained in First Aid, CPR and AED (Automated External Defibrillator), emergency response, effective supervision and customer service.

Campus Safety and local law enforcement:

The Campus Safety Office maintains a strong and active two-way relationship with the Jersey City Police Department. Non-criminal incidents are investigated by the Department of Campus Safety and all criminal matters are investigated by the local police department. A daily crime log is maintained at the Campus Safety Office and is available for viewing by appointment during normal business hours.

Crime prevention practices are a joint effort of Campus Safety and the local police department. Information is forwarded to the campus community throughout the school year regarding safety tips, best practices for travelling about the city, security of belongings, and trends related to criminal activity in areas around the University. Every effort is made by Campus Safety to educate our community on off campus locations and activities that may be potentially dangerous.

The Campus Safety website encourages students and staff to be responsible for their own safety by utilizing the safety tips provided to prevent becoming a victim of crime.

Procedures for reporting a crime or emergency:

Members of the university community are encouraged to immediately report any and all emergencies, crimes, incidents, and suspicious activities to Campus Safety at (201) 761-7400. This phone number is answered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by a Campus Safety Officer trained to respond to the caller's needs immediately. The Dispatcher has the ability to contact outside agencies such as Police, Fire, or EMS at any time. Through the use of two way radios, information can be relayed to any Campus Safety Officer or staff member available. Contact with the Campus Safety office can also be established by push button technology on any one of 16 Code Blue Emergency Call Boxes located at various locations throughout the campus. Members of the campus community are encouraged to call 911 simultaneously while contacting Campus Safety if the situation may require an emergency response from police, fire or EMS.

Timely Warnings to the campus community:

In compliance with the Jeanne Clery Act, it is the policy of Saint Peter's University to provide **timely warnings** to the campus community regarding crimes, incidents, or ongoing threats, which have been reported to Campus Safety. When a crime occurs on, or in close proximity to the University that is considered by the university to represent a serious or continuing threat to students and employees, the Director of Campus Safety or his designee will determine if a timely warning is required and will draft the message for immediate release to the campus community. The method of notification will depend upon the event. Saint Peter's University employs the RAVE Emergency Messaging System that delivers a three pronged message when activated. The three prongs are voicemail, email, and text messages to cellular phones. This system is a critical component of our emergency notifications system, in that it is capable of sending emergency notifications to all registered recipients even in the event of a power outage when use of computers, email and voicemail are not possible. Other notification options include an email blast to the campus community from Campus Safety or University Communications, posting on the University web site, social media, or posting on University bright screen monitors throughout the campus.

Emergency Notifications:

Emergency notifications will be sent to the campus community for any significant emergency or dangerous situation occurring on campus which involves an immediate threat to the health and safety of students and employees. The Director of Campus Safety or his designee will determine if an Emergency Notification is required and will draft the message for immediate release to the campus community. The method of notification will depend upon the event.

Saint Peter's University employs the RAVE Emergency Messaging System that delivers a three-pronged message when activated. The three prongs are voicemail, email, and text messages to cellular phones. This system is a critical component of our emergency notifications system, in that it is capable of sending critical emergency notifications to all registered recipients even in the event of a power outage when use of computers, email and voicemail are not possible. Other notification options include an email blast to the campus community from Campus Safety or University Communications, posting on the University web site, social media, or posting on University bright screen monitors throughout the campus.

Preparation of the Annual Report:

In compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act, the Department of Campus Safety is responsible for collection, reporting, and dissemination of the annual crime statistics from the local police agencies and Campus Security Authorities. Preparation requires a compilation of crimes and incidents reported throughout the previous calendar year. The crimes and incidents are tabulated primarily from the Campus Safety Report Exec Incident Management System, and statistics provided by the Jersey City Police Department. They also include statistics provided by the Office of Student Affairs in conjunction with the Dean of Students as tabulated in Maxient.

Once completed, the Annual Report is published and made available on our website. Printed copies of the report can also be requested from the Department of Campus Safety office located at 2641 John F. Kennedy Blvd. Jersey City, NJ 07306.

Security and Access to Campus Facilities and Residence Halls:

The Department of Campus Safety provides security services to the Jersey City campus. This includes officers on fixed posts at many strategic locations, in addition to roving bicycle, walking patrols and motorized patrols. Additionally, several parking facilities are protected and monitored by Campus Safety Officers assigned.

Residence Halls are staffed by Campus Safety Officers around the clock at most locations. The officer's primary duties are to verify the identity of occupants entering and leaving the buildings. Providing physical security at entrances to residence halls further enhances our One-Card proximity card access. Residents, their guests, and authorized members of the university community are permitted access to the residence halls though an established procedure. Guests are permitted only after producing valid photo ID, which is left with the Campus Safety Officer upon completion of the sign in process. All guests are required to remain with their host

while on the campus. Guests are required to leave the campus by 2:00 am. University members must accompany their guests at all times while on campus. University members are responsible for the actions of their guests, including behavior and violations. Campus Safety Officers work in conjunction with Residence Life Assistants (RA's) and Community Directors to ensure the safety and security of all residence halls.

Monitoring and Recording Criminal Activity at Off-Campus Locations

Saint Peter's University works closely with local law enforcement agencies in regard to crime and incidents occurring at off campus locations and involving our students. Any findings of student misconduct are handled by the Dean of Student's Office through our code of conduct policies. This University Code of Conduct Policy may apply to any students conduct that occurs on university property, at university sponsored activities, and also off-campus conduct that adversely affects the university community or the pursuit of its objectives, including, but not limited to, any off-campus conduct that constitutes a violation of any law or municipal ordinance, or any off campus conduct that poses a threat to the health, safety or welfare of any members of the university community or any residents of the neighboring communities.

Daily Crime Log

The Department of Campus Safety maintains a written, easily understood, Daily Crime Log as required by the Campus Security Act. The Daily Crime Log records all crimes that occurred on campus or within the University Clery geography. The log includes the date, time, general location and nature of each crime or incident reported to the Department, as well as the disposition of the complaint if known at the time the log is written. Saint Peter's University Daily Crime Log is available for public inspection. Any portion of the Daily Crime Log older than 60 days will be made available within two business days of a request.

Crime Prevention Education and Awareness

Crime prevention is a high priority for the Department of Campus Safety and the university. Utilizing physical security with our well-trained officers, CCTV Cameras, Proximity Card Access, Code Blue call boxes and alarm systems, the department proactively establishes the target hardening strategies to keep our campuses safe. We also encourage our community members to be aware of their surroundings, both on and off campus, and to take responsibility for their own safety and that of others.

Toward that end, the department participates in many crime prevention and educational programs. They include but are not limited to the following:

1. **Critical Infrastructure and Vulnerability Assessments:** The department routinely conducts security surveys and vulnerability assessments to identify areas of campus that may present risks to the safety of the university community. The department works with appropriate offices, including Facilities Management, Information Technology, and many others in addressing security concerns.

2. **Campus Security Technologies:** The Jersey City Campus employs robust security technologies, including over 400 CCTV Cameras, Proximity Card Access Control on all exteriors doors, 16 Code Blue Emergency call stations, RAVE Emergency Notifications system, intrusion and fire alarm systems.

3. **Walk With Service:** Upon request, by calling (201) 761-7400, trained officers will escort students and/or other community members free of charge when they are visiting another building or returning from off-campus events late at night. These services are provided by foot patrol, or in a Campus Safety vehicle when available.

4. **New Student Orientation:** Campus Safety officers meet with new students and their parents during orientation to provide an overview of the Department's programs and services and basic safety tips.

5. **Resident Assistant Training:** Campus Safety in cooperation with Student Affairs provides training on procedures and responsibilities as they relate to programs and services, as well as fire safety and other basic safety tips.

6. **Campus Security Authority Training:** Campus Safety in cooperation with Student Affairs provides training on procedures and reporting requirements as they relate to the responsibilities of Campus Security Authorities

7. **Defensive Driving Classes:** Defensive Driving classes are offered several times throughout the school year. These classes are open to all students and staff. Upon completion, students and staff are then permitted to drive selected university owned vehicles upon requests. They will also qualify for a discount on their personal auto insurance.

8. **Crime Prevention Safety Tips:** Crime prevention tips are presented and emailed to our campus community throughout the year. Safety tips and recommendations can be found on the Campus Safety webpage.

Sexual Offense Policy:

Saint Peter's University recognizes the rights of our students to participate in a community that is conducive to learning and personal growth. In order to achieve this goal, the campus needs to be one in which students feel safe and secure in their surroundings. Acts of sexual assault or other sexual offenses pose a serious threat to the spirit of community and as such, Saint Peter's University prohibits all forms of sexual offenses and reaffirms the principle that its students, faculty and staff shall be free from sexual discrimination, including sexual harassment and any other form of sexual misconduct.

Sexual assault of any kind will not be tolerated. Sexual Assault is a criminal offense pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2C:14-2. "**Sexual Assault is any sexual act directed against another person, without consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent."** It is a criminal offense to have sexual contact with a person who is physically or mentally incapacitated or intoxicated on drugs, alcohol, or other intoxicating substances.

Definitions:

Rape: *is the penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus, with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person without consent of the victim. This offense includes rape of both males and females.*

Fondling: *is the touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.*

Incest: *is sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.*

Statutory Rape: *is sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.*

Sexual assault concerns, or actual incidents reported to the Title XI coordinator, Campus Safety, Student Affairs, or any University Campus Security Authority will be investigated and with the victim's consent may be reported to the local Police Department or transferred to the Hudson County Prosecutor's Office Special Victims Unit for follow up investigation.

The Hudson County Prosecutor's Office SVU is comprised of specially trained investigators who deal solely with sexual offenses and are skilled and compassionate in dealing with these difficult matters.

All victims shall have all the rights described in the Campus Sexual Assault Victims Bill of Rights, adopted by the State of NJ Commission of Higher Education. The department of Campus Safety encourages all university members who feel they have been a victim of any sexual assault or related crime, to report the crime immediately to the Campus Title IX coordinators, Campus Safety or any Campus Security Authority. The Saint Peter's University Department of Counseling and Psychological Services are also available to assist in the interview process of a sexual assault victim, in most cases by a same sex staff counselor.

Sexual conduct policies are presented to students at student orientations. To view a full version of Saint Peter's University: **Sexual Misconduct Policy**

New Jersey Campus Sexual Assault Victim's Bill of Rights recognizes that the impact of violence on its victims and the surrounding community can be severe and long lasting. The university supports the New Jersey statute(s) that articulates requirements for policies, procedures and services designed to ensure that the needs of victims are met and that the state's colleges and universities create and maintain communities that support human dignity.

Sexual Offenses, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking:

Saint Peter's University prohibits and strictly enforces all cases of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking, in accordance with the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA), which was signed into law March 7, 2013. Saint Peter's University staff will strictly adhere to all laws and regulations to protect our campus community from these violent threats.

Saint Peter's University, in addition to the Clery Act requirements regarding annual reporting of crime statistics for various offenses, including forcible and non-forcible sex offenses and aggravated assault, under the new provisions of VAWA, have included Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking to the categories that, if the incident was reported to a Campus Safety Authority or local police agency, will be reported under the Clery Act.

These offenses are defined as:

- **Domestic Violence –** *is defined as a felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed:*
    - *By a current or former spouse or intimate partner.*
    - *By a person with whom the victim shares a child in common*
    - *By a person who is cohabiting with, or has cohabited with, the victim as a spouse or intimate partner.*
    - *By a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.*
    - *By any person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.*

To categorize an incident as Domestic Violence, the relationship between the perpetrator and the victim must be more than just two people living together as roommates. The people cohabitating must be current or former spouses or have an intimate relationship.

- **Dating Violence –** *is defined as violence committed by a person who is, or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based upon the reporting party's statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.*

- **Stalking -** *a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for her, his, or others' safety, or to suffer substantial emotional distress.*

This report also includes **"national origin"** and **"gender identity"** to the hate crimes categories involving intentional selection of a victim based upon actual or perceived characteristics, which will be reported under the Clery Act.

VAWA (Violence Against Women Act) Training: Saint Peter's University provides training to students and employees that address "primary prevention and awareness". These training programs will promote awareness of Rape, Acquaintance Rape, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking.

Sex Offender Registration Policy:

A list of registered sex offenders provided by the New Jersey State Police in compliance with Megan's Law is regularly provided, updated, and maintained by the Director of Campus Safety.

New Jersey State Police Sexual Offender Registry.

The Judicial Process:

Saint Peter's University takes pride in our Catholic Jesuit educational mission of fostering a learning environment that is conducive to developing our students as a "whole person". As part of this mission, students are expected to uphold and abide by certain standards of conduct as described in the **Student Code of Conduct.** These policies clearly define a set of values and principles to be adhered to by our community and describe the Judicial Process and the disciplinary procedures of this University. The Judicial Process provides for a written notice of specific charges in the alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct. The Judicial Process begins with a Judicial Complaint, followed by an informal or formal hearing. Upon the completion of any hearing process, the University shall impose appropriate judicial sanctions on any student found to be in violation of the Code. By accepting admission to the University, students are expected to abide by the general conditions for community living and the Code of Conduct. In accordance with provisions of the Code of Conduct, students are expected to enhance the University Community Standards. **Student Conduct and Judicial System Policy**.

Alcohol, Drugs Policy:

Saint Peter's University adheres to strict drug and alcohol policies that prohibit the unlawful possession, use, sale, or distribution of alcohol and/or controlled dangerous substances/illicit drugs by students, faculty and staff. All members of the university community are expected to fulfill their obligations in accordance with university policies, and all federal, state, and local laws. Any disciplinary action taken by the university, may be in addition to penalties imposed by an off-campus authority.

NJ State law prohibits the use or possession of alcohol by persons under the legal age of 21. This law is strictly enforced on the campus of Saint Peter's University. University members who appear to be intoxicated on the campus will be medically treated when necessary and reported to the Dean of Students or her designee for violating the alcohol policy, even if the alcohol might have been consumed off campus.

The university provides alcohol and substance abuse programs to all new students as well as all student athletes every year. Additionally, all Residence Life Staff receive ongoing training and

education on alcohol and substance abuse, as well as information on local resources that are available and how to make proper referrals. The Department of Counseling and Psychological Services is advised of students found responsible, so that appropriate follow up can be pursued by their counselors.

Saint Peter's University maintains a strict policy on drug possession/use on university properties. Violations may be reported to the JCPD for identification and further investigation. The university policy includes criminal prosecution when appropriate. Campus Safety will work with Residence Life Administrators to investigate any allegation of alcohol or drugs in residence halls. Saint Peter's University is committed to a drug free environment; therefore, reserves the right, among other disciplinary measures, to require anyone who is known to have a problem with the use of controlled substances or the abuse of alcohol to participate in an approved rehabilitation program. The university, through the Department of Counseling and Psychological Services, is ready to assist in a confidential manner, any student or employee seeking information or experiencing a problem with alcohol and/or substance abuse. The department provides education and consultation as well as counseling, psychotherapy and off campus referrals. Students or employees concerned about another person's drinking or drug use are encouraged to seek assistance and support through this office as well.

Firearms Policy:

Possession of a firearm on the campus of Saint Peter's University is strictly prohibited and in most cases a violation of NJ Criminal Code. The only exception to this provision is the carrying of a licensed firearm by Campus Safety staff members who are professionally trained and licensed to carry a firearm under the law governing retired law enforcement officer's right to remain armed.

Missing Person Notification Policy:

This policy contains the official notification procedures for Saint Peter's University concerning missing students who reside in on-campus housing in accordance with the requirements of the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008 (HEOA) The purpose of this policy is to promote the safety and welfare of the members of our university community through compliance with HEOA requirements. This policy shall be adhered to by all university students, faculty and staff.

In the event a member of the university community has reason to believe that an on campus resident student is missing, he or she should immediately notify Campus Safety at (201) 761-7400. Campus Safety will generate an on campus report and initiate an immediate investigation to include card swipe activity, video review, and class attendance. Should the

Campus Safety investigation determine the student is missing for more than 24 hours, Campus Safety will notify the Jersey City Police Department so they may initiate an investigation and enter the missing student into the NCIC/SCIC database. Campus Safety staff will verify through enrollment service records, whether or not the missing student has designated a confidential emergency contact specifically named for a person missing, and arrange to notify either of the contacts for appropriate emergency notifications. If the resident student is under age 18 and not emancipated, Campus Safety will notify the appropriate parent or guardian. A resident student who wishes to name a "confidential contact" for missing person notification only, can do so at the Office of Enrollment Services at Saint Peter's University. This information will be made available only to authorized university officials and law enforcement as appropriate.

Emergency Response and Evacuation Procedures:

Saint Peter's University employs a Crisis Management and Emergency Operations Plan to be utilized during declared emergencies occurring on, or in close proximity to campus. Included in the plan is an evacuation plan for every building on the campus. The evacuation plans, delineate specific evacuation routes and evacuation directions for each building. The plan also specifies the Jersey City National Guard Armory as primary evacuation recovery site for the university. The Armory provides a safe, comfort station for evacuees and is contracted annually to the university for this purpose.

The Emergency Operations Plan addresses emergency operations through an "All Hazards Approach". Saint Peter's University Campus Safety Directors and Shift Managers are trained in Incident Command and certified through the National Incident Management System (NIMS). Emergency Management at Saint Peter's University begins with the declaration of an actual critical incident, initially identified and confirmed by Campus Safety Officers and or managers. Once confirmed, the Director of Campus Safety in conjunction with the University President or his designee will declare an emergency and initiate the emergency response crisis management operation. The Director or his designee will immediately assume the role of Incident Commander. The Incident Commander will coordinate emergency response to the University by Police, Fire, EMS and OEM.

Saint Peter's University is equipped with Mutual Link Interoperability System, a computerized connection to the Office of Emergency Management and JCPD for immediate contact through audio and video feeds from the Campus Safety office. Essentially, the system provides for live radio and video transmissions directly to emergency responders once activated.

The Director of Campus Safety will determine if an emergency alert to the community is needed. The method of notification will depend upon the event. Saint Peter's University

employs the RAVE Emergency Messaging System that delivers a three-pronged message when activated. The three prongs are voicemail, email, and text messages to cellular phones. This system is a critical component of our emergency notifications system, in that it is capable of sending critical emergency notifications to all registered recipients even in the event of a power outage when use of computers, email and voicemail are not possible. Other notification options include an email blast to the campus community from campus safety, posting on the University web site, or posting on University monitors throughout the campus.

Fire Safety Report and Fire Log:

Saint Peter's University maintains an active fire log as a part of Campus Safety's daily operational responsibilities. The fire log contains the dates and times of actual fires, fire alarms, fire department responses, and dates and times of fire drills. Fire drills on the campus are controlled drills, scheduled and conducted by Campus Safety throughout the academic year. University and FDJC policy dictate a complete evacuation of any and all buildings during an active alarm event including a drill. Campus Safety and Residence Life facilitate the evacuation of buildings, supported when necessary by Saint Peter's University maintenance staff.

All residential buildings of Saint Peter's University are equipped with wet pipe fire sprinkler systems connected to water supplies without tanks or fire pumps. Each is inspected and tested annually and documented in reports maintained by the Director of Campus Safety.

Each residence hall is equipped with a fire system that is supported by 24/7 fire alarm monitoring. The alarm systems are digitally transmitted to a central station alarm company and provide audible alarms and strobe lights to alert residents throughout the buildings. These alarms are inspected and tested annually and documented in reports maintained by the Director of Campus Safety. Saint Peter's University reports all fire related activity as required by the Clery provisions and HEOA Office.

University Fire Safety Plan

Saint Peter's University Fire Prevention and Safety Plan has been established to set fire safety standards and best practices and procedures to direct the University community in the event of a fire emergency; enhance safe operations, and ensure regulatory compliance. The purpose of this plan is to provide minimum standards to safeguard life, health, property, and our facilities.

The objective of the plan is to provide one comprehensive fire prevention and safety document to direct our students and staff in the proper procedures to follow in the event of a fire hazard on campus.

In the event of a fire in a campus building or any activation of fire alarm systems, all occupants of the building are required to immediately evacuate the building following the established Fire and Emergency Evacuation Plan.

All residence buildings on campus are equipped with wet pipe fire suppression systems, fire alarm systems which are monitored 24/7, and provide both audible alarms and strobe lights to alert the building occupants. These alarms and suppression systems are inspected and tested annually by contracted vendors. In addition, ABC rated fire extinguishers are positioned near all stairways on each floor leading to exterior exits.

In compliance with New Jersey State Fire Code, fire alarm evacuation drills are conducted at all buildings periodically, but at least twice annually in all residence halls.

These drills are scheduled by the Assistant Director of Campus Safety in cooperation with University staff. The purpose of these drills is to acquaint students and staff with the proper procedure for evacuating the affected building utilizing the designated evacuation routes and exits, familiarizing them with the sound of the fire alarm, establishing the designated safe area where the students and staff will assemble once the building has been evacuated and assuring compliance with the state fire code. Records of all fire drills are maintained by the Director of Campus Safety.

In compliance with NJ State Law, annual inspections are conducted in all residence halls and the New Jersey Life Hazard Use Certificate of Registration is prominently displayed near the entrance of each residence hall.

Campus Safety maintains an active fire log which details the dates and times of actual fires, fire alarms, fire department responses to campus, and the dates, times and locations of all planned fire drills.

Prevention

Saint Peter's University places great emphasis on the safety and security of our students and staff. Fire prevention and preparedness are paramount to our safety initiatives.

Fire prevention takes many forms, which include fire extinguisher maintenance and inspection; yearly inspection of the fire panels with testing of all points of protection by qualified personnel; posted diagrams of evacuation routes for use in buildings; planning and implementation of fire evacuation drills; and training issues, i.e. (fire prevention; fire extinguisher use; and rescue techniques).

The Saint Peter's University policy on fire alarms in all buildings is one hundred percent evacuation at all times. Occupants of any building, once notified of a fire alarm, are required to GET OUT AND STAY OUT, until such time that they are informed the building is safe to enter. The safety declaration is made by the Jersey City Fire Department in cooperation with the Campus Safety officers at the scene. All Saint Peter's University residence buildings are equipped with fire alarms that are monitored at all times, and wet pipe and/or stand pipe sprinkler systems, with fire, smoke and carbon dioxide detection devices.

Preparedness

Campus Safety conducts continuous inspections to ensure that all buildings meet fire code standards. Through drills and training, our campus community is properly prepared in the event of a fire. Compliance measures are in effect to:

- Ensure emergency exit doors are functional and are not blocked.
- Assure that students and staff are trained not to use elevators during a fire alarm condition.
- Conduct regular fire evacuation drills as mandated by State Fire Code and Jersey City Fire Department.
- Post evacuation routes within buildings.
- Provide fire prevention training including training on the proper use of fire extinguishers.

Response

Proper response in a fire emergency is critical to ensuring the safety of our community. In the event of a smoke or fire condition, contact Campus Safety immediately at (201) 761-7400 as well as placing a call to 911.

Campus Safety responds and performs **R.A.C.E.** protocols, which include building evacuation.

Rescue: Remove students and staff from danger of immediate harm and insure that all buildings have been properly evacuated and persons with special needs have been cared for.

Alert/alarm: Students and staff have been properly trained in the procedure to activate the fire alarms by using the pull boxes and notification to Campus Safety by dialing (201) 761-7400 in the event of a fire. Campus Safety will announce a "Code Red" and all available officers will respond to the scene of the fire alarm to initiate an immediate and safe evacuation of the building. A door by door confirmation that the building was properly evacuated will be

conducted by Campus Safety staff when possible and does not present a substantial risk to the officers.

Confine/contain: Proper procedures regarding confining and containing a fire by closing doors and windows can prevent fire, smoke and other toxins from spreading, cut off the flow of oxygen to the fire, and save lives. Students and staff are trained not to open doors if they are hot to the touch.

Evacuate/extinguish: University Staff are trained in the proper procedures for evacuation and proper use of fire extinguishers.

Training for use of fire extinguishers is done by utilizing the acronym **P.A.S.S.**

P - Pull the pin in the nozzle of the extinguisher.

A - Aim the nozzle at the base of the fire.

S - Squeeze the handle: and

S – Sweep from side to side, covering the fire.

If time permits and depending upon the severity of the fire, Campus Safety will attempt to determine the origin of the fire via the fire panel or other means (observation of scene, witnesses, etc.).

Campus Safety will report all known facts to Jersey City Fire Department crews upon their arrival at the scene.

The fire department will announce permission to reset the fire alarm panel and allow faculty, staff, and students back into the building if the scene is clear.

Fire and Emergency Evacuation Plan

The Fire and Emergency Evacuation plan describes the procedure to be utilized whenever a fire alarm sounds.

What to do when a Smoke or Fire Alarm Sounds:

- Proceed to the Nearest Exit.
- Do not use elevators.
- Keep low or as close to the floor as possible if smoke is present or near eye level.
- Leave the building immediately. Stay well away from the building. Do Not Re-Enter until an “ALL CLEAR” is announced by the Fire Department or Campus Safety Department.

What to do when fire or smoke is observed:

- Initiate an alarm by activating the nearest Fire Alarm Pull Station. These are generally found at the ends of hallways, at entrances to stairwells, or doors leading directly to the outside.
- Call Campus Safety at 7400 on campus phones or Dial 201-761-7400 and provide the following information:
    - Your name, telephone number, and location you are calling from
    - The location of the smoke or fire condition (e.g. second floor bathroom, etc.)
    - Describe the situation (e.g. smell smoke, open flame, etc.)
    - If possible, describe what is burning (e.g. wastebasket, stove, etc.)
- When leaving a room or entering a stairwell, feel the doorknob or touch the door with the back of your hand. If it is too hot to touch, do not open the door. If the door is warm but not too hot, brace yourself and open the door slightly. If intense heat or smoke is present do not open the door any further; close the door and stay inside the room.
- If unable to evacuate your room, seal the bottom edge of the door with clothing, towels, and sheets (wet if possible) Pull shades or blinds and hang a white or light colored towel, shirt, or sheet out the window to attract attention, shield your face with a towel, shirt, or sheet and follow instructions given by the Firefighters or Emergency Personnel.
- After you have left the building, move well away from it. Responding Firefighters need room to maneuver. Do not re-enter the building until an "ALL Clear" is announced by a uniformed firefighter or the Campus Safety Department.

Fire Alarm Evacuation Drill Procedure

In compliance with New Jersey State Law, Saint Peter's University will conduct periodic unannounced fire drills. These drills will be scheduled by Campus Safety in cooperation with University staff. The purpose of these fire drills is to acquaint students and staff with the procedure for evacuating the affected building utilizing the designated routes and exits; establishing a designated assembly area where students will meet once they vacate the building; familiarizing them with the sound of the fire alarm, and assuring compliance with state law.

Procedure for conducting fire drills:

- All fire drills will be unannounced to the building occupants.
- Campus Safety will coordinate with Student Affairs and the Directors of the buildings affected to schedule the drills.

- Fire Alarm system will be placed on test.
- Once the alarm has been activated by Campus Safety and the fire alarm sounds, a notation of the time will be made.
- All occupants of the building will be evacuated and directed to a designated assembly area.
- Once the building has been evacuated, Campus Safety staff may silence the alarm.
- The building will then be inspected by Campus Safety officers and Residence Life Staff to ensure all rooms have been properly vacated.
- While Campus Safety and University staff is searching the building, additional officers may take this opportunity to thank participants and critique any problems observed.
- Evacuated students and staff will be asked to comment on any observed failures of equipment, if there was a problem hearing the alarm, if emergency lighting functioned properly, etc.
- The names of students who did not evacuate their rooms will be notated and reported to the Dean of Students.
- Once the entire building has been inspected, the Campus Safety officers will call the "All Clear "and students and staff will be permitted to return to their rooms.
- Campus Safety officers will notate the time the drill was completed.
- An after-action report will be written by the Campus Safety officer notating any problems observed during the drill.
- These reports are maintained by the Director of Campus Safety

Campus Security Authorities:

The Clery Act requires all institutions to collect crime reports from a variety of individuals and organizations that are considered **"Campus Safety Authorities"**. Under the law, a crime is reported when it is brought to the attention of a campus security authority, the Department of Campus Safety, or local law enforcement. Campus Security Authorities are **not** responsible for investigating or reporting incidents that they overhear students talking about in hallway conversations; that a classmate or student mentions during an in class discussion; that a victim mentions during a speech, workshop, or any other form of group presentation; or that the CSA otherwise learns about in an indirect manner.

"Campus Security Authority" is a Clery Act specific term that encompasses four groups of individuals and organizations within the university. These include:

1. Saint Peter's University Department of Campus Safety.
2. Any individual or individuals who have the responsibility for campus security, but are not a member of Campus Police Department or Campus Safety Department (e.g. an individual who is monitoring an entrance into a University facility).
3. Any individual or organization specified in an institutions statement of campus security policy as an individual or organization to which students and employees should report criminal offenses.
4. An Individual of an institution who has significant responsibility for student and campus activities, including, but not limited to, student housing, student discipline and campus judicial proceeding. An **official** is defined as any person who has the authority and duty to take action or respond to particular issues on behalf of the institution. These officials include but may not be limited to:
    - Department of Campus Safety
    - Dean of Students Office
    - Student Affairs
    - Residence Life Staff, including Community Directors and Residence Assistants
    - Athletic Director, all athletic coaches, assistant coaches and graduate assistants.
    - Title IX Coordinator(s)
    - Directors of Campus Health and Counseling Centers.
    - Local law enforcement contracted to provide campus safety related services.

Campus Security Authorities Exemption's

- Professional and pastoral counselors are exempt from the reporting requirement while working within the scope of a license or certification.
    - This exemption is intended to protect the counselor-client relationship. However, even the legally recognized privileges identify certain situations in which counselors are in fact under a legal obligation to report a crime.

- Faculty members who do not have any responsibility for student and campus activity beyond the classroom.
- Clerical and cafeteria staff.

Crime Statistics Reported

In compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, and in accordance with the definitions contained in the FBI Uniform Crime Report Handbook, Saint Peter's University compiles our crime statistics annually from reports submitted by Campus Security Authorities, Department of Campus Safety Records Management System, Student Affairs and Dean of Students records, and statistics provided by local police authorities.

These crimes must meet established criteria to be reported as Clery Crimes. The crimes must have occurred on campus and within the University Clery Geography. This report is for the period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

Conclusion:

The provisions of this annual report are available on the campus web site at: Annual Security and Fire Safety Report 2025.

The documents represented in this report as policies are available for review and maintained in the Campus Safety Office. The Annual Clery Report including statistics and the Annual Campus Safety/Fire Report are also available for print upon request during normal business hours.

The statistics provided in this and the Annual Clery Report are provided by Campus Security Authorities and statistics provided by the Jersey City Police Department as compiled through federal uniform crime reporting standards.

Respectfully submitted,

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In compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, and in accordance with the definitions contained in the FBI Uniform Crime Report Handbook, Saint Peter's University submits the following report based upon crimes reported on campus and on streets running through or adjacent to our campus.

This report is for the period January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025.

CRIMINAL OFFENSES	CAMPUS PROPERTY			CAMPUS RESIDENCE HALLS		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Murder / Non Negligent Manslaughter	0	1	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	4	1	0	0	1
Burglary	1	0	0	1	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	1	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0

CRIMINAL OFFENSES	NON-CAMPUS PROPERTY			PUBLIC PROPERTY		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Murder / Non Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0

HATE OFFENSES	CAMPUS PROPERTY			CAMPUS RESIDENCE HALLS		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Murder / Non Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0
Larceny Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0
Simple Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0
Intimidation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	0	0	0	0	0	0

HATE OFFENSES	NON-CAMPUS PROPERTY			PUBLIC PROPERTY		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Murder / Non Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault: Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0
Larceny Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0
Simple Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0
Intimidation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	0	0	0	0	0	0

VAWA OFFENSES	CAMPUS PROPERTY			CAMPUS RESIDENCE HALLS		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Domestic Violence	2	0	0	1	0	0
Dating Violence	1	0	0	1	0	0
Stalking	0	1	0	0	0	0

VAWA OFFENSES	NON-CAMPUS PROPERTY			PUBLIC PROPERTY		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	0	0	0	0	0	0

ARREST	ON CAMPUS			CAMPUS RESIDENCE HALLS		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Illegal Weapons Possession	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0

ARREST	NON CAMPUS PROPERTY			PUBLIC PROPERTY		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Illegal Weapons Possession	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS	ON CAMPUS			CAMPUS RESIDENCE HALLS		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Illegal Weapons Possession	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violations	6	6	9	6	6	9
Liquor Law Violations	15	15	19	15	15	19

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS	NON-CAMPUS PROPERTY			PUBLIC PROPERTY		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Illegal Weapons Possession	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0

FIRES ON CAMPUS – RESIDENCE HALLS	2023	2024	2025
Durant Hall - 131 Glenwood Avenue	0	0	0
Panepinto Hall – 762 Montgomery Street	0	0	0
Millennium Hall – 806 Montgomery Street	0	0	0
Whelan Hall – 2640 Kennedy Boulevard	0	0	0