May 26, 2021

Dear Auraria Campus Community,

While the majority of our campus community has been working and learning remotely, the Auraria Campus Police Department has diligently continued to serve and protect the Auraria Campus without interruption. The ACPD operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year to ensure that the Auraria Campus community is safe and our campus has one of the lowest campus crime rates in Colorado. You see our officers consistently patrolling campus in SUVs, cars, hybrid patrol vehicles, on electric motorcycles and bicycles, and on foot. Our Neighborhood Community Officers (NCOs) continue to serve as your go-to campus safety resource in each of our Auraria Campus neighborhoods.

As everyone begins the return to campus, I encourage you to review our ACPD campus safety tips and to take some time to visit the RTD Partners in Safety website and review their commuter resources for passengers, motorists, cyclists and pedestrians. The ACPD and the Office of Emergency Management also offer a variety of training opportunities throughout the year for free to current Auraria Campus students, faculty, and staff. Visit the Training Opportunities page on the Auraria Campus website for more information and to register.

ACPD CAMPUS SAFETY TIPS

- **Program your phone**: Store the ACPD phone number and Text-a-Tip line in your favorites on your cellphone to have the numbers at your fingertips in the event of an emergency. Dispatch: 303-556-5000; Text-a-Tip: 720-593-TIPS (8477).
- **Secure your belongings**: Lock your car doors and put valuables in your car out of sight or in the trunk. Secure your valuables (car keys, wallet, purse, etc.) out of sight within your workspace.
- **Display your campus ID**: Always have your campus ID visible while on campus and encourage others to do the same.
- **Use the NightRider Service**: Call 303-556-2001 to use the evening shuttle service to and from campus buildings and parking lots or call the ACPD for a ride at 303-556-5000.
- **Trust your instincts**: If a situation seems dangerous or something feels out of place, please call the ACPD from any campus phone by dialing 911 or from a cellphone by dialing 303-556-5000. You may also “Text-a-Tip” to the ACPD at 720-593-TIPS (8477).
- **Be aware of your surroundings**: If you see a person in distress, seek immediate help from the ACPD.

As always, students, faculty and staff are encouraged to contact the ACPD at any time with safety concerns. Thank you all for your continued support and welcome back!

Sincerely,

Chief Michael J. Phibbs