COMMUNITY UPDATE

Case #: USF19OFF000756

Alert: 2019-015-2

Date of Alert: September 29, 2019

Offense: Robbery

Update: Upon further investigation, it has been determined that the robbery previously reported on September 29th did not occur. The complainant admitted to making up the facts and filing a false report to police. Charges are being sent to the Hillsborough County State Attorney's Office and a referral to USF Student Affairs.

Previous Alert:
On September 29, 2019, at approximately 2:40 a.m., the University of South Florida Police Department received notification of a Robbery that may have occurred on the USF Tampa Campus in the area of USF Willow and USF Genshaft Drive. An unidentified Hispanic male, wearing a grey hooded sweatshirt, reportedly approached the victim and demanded property. The victim complied, surrendered personal property and the suspect fled the area without further incident. No force was used in the commission of the crime and no weapons were observed or implied. The suspect is described as a thin build Hispanic male, approximately 5'6" to 5'7" in height.

This is an active criminal investigation and anyone having information regarding the incident is requested to contact the USF Police Department (813) 974-TIPS or (813) 974-8477.

Students are encouraged to remember the following safety tips:

- Be vigilant and keenly aware of the environment around you.
- If you see something, say something.
- Notify the police if anyone or anything looks out of place.
- Report suspicious activity immediately by calling 9-1-1.
- Use the USF SAFE Team safety escort service when on campus. (974-SAFE).

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