

**CRIME ALERT
ROBBERY****ALERT TW#:** 2019-005**REPORTED OFFENSE:**

Two suspects approached the victims, who are not affiliated with USC, standing at the northwest corner of 36th Place and Vermont Avenue. The suspects forcibly took one of the victim's purse and the other's cell phone. The suspects then entered their vehicle and drove away westbound on 36th Place toward Catalina Street. No one was injured. There were no weapons involved in the incident.

DATE & TIME OF OCCURRENCE: May 19, 2019 at approximately 9:30 a.m.**LOCATION:** 36th Place and Vermont Avenue (off campus)**SUSPECT DESCRIPTION** (provided by the victims):**Suspect 1:** Male, Black, No further description**Suspect 2:** Female, Black, No further description**SUSPECT VEHICLE:** Silver 2005 Audi sedan, license number 7HYN526

If you are in immediate danger, call the LAPD at 9-1-1 or DPS at (213) 740-4321.

If you have information relevant to the crime(s) call the Department of Public Safety (DPS) at (213) 740-6000 or the LAPD Southwest Division at (213) 485-6571.

The Department of Public Safety (DPS) issues Crime Alerts to the university community, in compliance with the Clery Act, when a criminal incident occurs within USC's Clery geography and represents either a serious or continuing threat to the safety of students, employees and others. The purpose of this warning is to aid in the prevention of similar crimes by alerting the community about the incident and to provide information which allows individuals to make informed decisions about their personal safety.

USC Department of Public Safety Recommendations – Robbery

- If you are the victim of a robbery remain calm and **do not** resist. Assure the robber you will cooperate and take no action that may jeopardize your safety. Do not make any quick or unexpected movements. Follow the robber's direction, but do not offer more than they ask for. Don't argue with the robber. After the robbery, go immediately to a safe location and report the

crime. For the University Park Campus (UPC) call DPS emergency at (213) 740-4321, for the Health Sciences Campus (HSC) call (323) 442-1000 or the LAPD at 9-1-1.

- If you **observe** a crime in progress, **STAY CALM AND CALL** DPS emergency for UPC at (213) 740-4321, for the Health Sciences Campus call (323) 442- 1000 or the LAPD at 9-1-1.
- **Be a good witness:** It is important to recall what you observed and provide as many details as possible to law enforcement such as: the sex, race, age, height, hair color, clothing, tattoos, scars of any suspects and a description of the make and model of any vehicle used in the crime and its license plate if possible.
- **Do not attempt to apprehend any suspects or perpetrators of crime.** Do not walk alone; travel in pairs. Avoid using cell phones or other technology while walking as criminals target inattentive individuals using them.

Other options to contact DPS and to receive information:

- **Blue light emergency phones** are located throughout the University Park and Health Sciences campuses. The phones are connected to the USC Department of Public Safety’s 24-hour communications center and identify the phone location if the caller is unable to speak. The phones can be used to request help, an escort, report suspicious activity, and to report crimes.
- **Security Ambassadors:** In addition to DPS officers who patrol a 2.5 mile radius around USC’s campuses, USC contracts with “Security Ambassadors” to patrol street corners in nearby neighborhoods and to observe and report crime and suspicious activity. This security force wears bright yellow jackets so you can easily spot them. If you need assistance, look for a Security Ambassador.
- **Get a Ride:** If you work, study or take classes at night, you don’t have to walk to your car or home alone. The USC Campus Cruiser will take you to your destination. If wait periods exceed 15 minutes, calls are automatically outsourced to **Lyft**, which you can take for free, ensuring you’ll never have to wait long for a safe ride home
- **LiveSafe APP:** To quickly make emergency push button calls to DPS or 911 on your mobile phone download the **Trojan Mobile Safety APP “LIVESAFE”** from Google Play or the Apple iTunes Store. For more information regarding LIVESAFE visit <https://dps.usc.edu/services/safety-app/>.
- **TrojansAlert:** Register for USC’s emergency notification system **TrojansAlert** to allow university officials to contact you during an emergency by sending messages via text message and email. For more information visit: <http://dps.usc.edu/services/trojans-alerts/>.

RESOURCES AT USC**USC Student Health****Keck Medicine of USC**

(213) 740-WELL (9355)

Email: studenthealth@usc.edu<https://studenthealth.usc.edu/about/contact/>[There are two locations:](#)**Engemann Student Health Center – UPC Campus**

1031 West 34th Street

Los Angeles, CA 90089-3261

Eric Cohen Student Health Center – HSC Campus

1510 San Pablo St., Ste. 104

Los Angeles, CA 90033

Phone:(323) 442-5631

Fax: (323) 442-6029

ecohenshc@med.usc.edu**Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention and Services (RSVP)***(Formerly known as Center for Women and Men)*

(213) 740-4900

Website: <https://studenthealth.usc.edu/rsvp/about-us/>**USC Support and Advocacy**

(213) 821-4710

To request other support resources and accommodations, please contact Associate Vice Provost

Lynette Merriman: merriman@usc.edu**Center for Work and Family Life**

(213) 821-0800

Website: <https://employees.usc.edu/work-family-life/>**Office of Religious Life**

(213)740-6110

orl@usc.edu

To request confidential pastoral care and spiritual counseling, please contact Associate Dean

Jim Burklo: burklo@usc.edu

If you have any questions regarding this crime alert, please contact the on duty Watch Commander in the Department of Public Safety at (213) 740-6000.