CRIME ALERT
LEWD CONDUCT & INDECENT EXPOSURE

ALERT#: 2018-003

REPORTED OFFENSE: As the victim (a female student) was walking past a parked vehicle, the suspect inside the vehicle honked the horn and rolled down the passenger window to get the victim’s attention. The victim approached the vehicle and the suspect exposed himself and made a lewd comment. The victim walked away from the vehicle and notified the Department of Public Safety (DPS). DPS officers conducted a search for the suspect and the vehicle but were unable to find either.

DATE & TIME OF OCCURRENCE: March 22, 2018 at approximately 11:15 A.M.

LOCATION: North Alley of 3131 McClintock Ave (off campus)

SUSPECT DESCRIPTION: Male, Black with shaved head, approximately 28 to 30 years of age, wearing navy color sweat shirt with dark pants.

SUSPECT VEHICLE DESCRIPTION: Silver Honda Civic, black interior.

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

If you have any information about this crime, call the Department of Public Safety at (213) 740-4321 or LAPD Southwest Division at (213) 485-6571.

The Department of Public Safety (DPS) issues warnings to the university community when a criminal incident occurs and represents a serious or continuing threat to students and employees. The purpose of this warning is to aid in the prevention of similar crimes by alerting the community about the incident so they may make informed decisions about their personal safety.

MESSAGE FROM USC AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The University of Southern California condemns inappropriate behavior, misconduct and sexual assault in any form. If you are the victim of or witness to a crime, please report it immediately to DPS-UPC Emergency line at (213) 740-4321 or for DPS-HSC Emergency (323) 442-1000. Provide the location where the incident occurred and a description of the perpetrator(s) to the best of your ability. You may also report the crime to the LAPD Southwest Division at (213) 485-6572.

The following safety information is offered to reduce the possibility of experiencing a crime, improve opportunities to receive prompt assistance, and to increase everyone’s ability to be an informed bystander or witness.

- Travel in pairs or with trusted companions, especially at night, or in remote areas.
- If someone is intoxicated or incapacitated, call for a taxi or other car service, and make sure a trusted friend accompanies the incapacitated friend to their door.
- Report suspicious persons or activity immediately to DPS-UPC at (213) 740-4321 or for DPS-HSC Emergency at (323) 442-1000.

- Be a good witness. Describe exactly what you observed with as many details as possible. Give complete descriptions such as sex, race, age, height, weight, hair color, clothing, tattoos, and scars. Try to get the license plate if a vehicle is involved.

- FOR MORE TIPS – visit: http://dps.usc.edu/safety-tips/

- 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.

- 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 talk. The phones can be used to request 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. This security force wears bright cardinal and yellow jackets so you can easily spot them. If you’re off campus and in need of assistance, look for a Security Ambassador.

- LiveSafe Mobile Safety App: To immediately contact DPS or 911 with a push of a button on your mobile phone, download the Mobile Safety APP “LIVESAFE” from Google Play or the Apple iTunes Store. For more information regarding LiveSafe visit http://usc.edu/mobilesafety.

- 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 at https://trojansalert.usc.edu/register.php.

If you have any questions regarding this crime alert, please contact the Watch Commander in the Department of Public Safety at (213) 740-5523.