

Identifying and Reporting Suspicious Activity and Persons

We never identify suspicious persons based on race, sex, age, clothing, or method of transportation. Any mistrust and wariness we develop about others should result from our observations of irregular and questionable activity on their behalf. Below are some possible indicators of suspicious activity.

- Loitering around/milling about entryways or other unusual locations
- Running, particularly when carrying items or in locations not typically used for exercise
- Carrying property that appears suspicious given the circumstances
- Attempts to open multiple doors in a building
- Peering into vehicles or trying to open vehicle doors or trunks
- Sitting in a parked vehicle for an extended period of time
- Attempts to obtain sensitive information on facilities or people
- Testing security features
- Missing uniforms, ID badges, or keys
- Dressing in warm clothing, such as a heavy jacket, in warm weather
- Expressing unusual interest in entry points, fences, or walls
- Discretely using cameras or other recording devices
- Making threats by phone or email
- Unusual noises
- Broken windows or doors

Report suspicious activity and persons right away to Protective Services at 314-362-4357. Provide as much information and detail as possible without compromising your safety. Accurate descriptions can help us respond to suspicious activities and persons in a timely manner. Consider the following characteristics when developing descriptions.

People:

- Sex?
- Race?
- Approx. Age?
- Approx. Height?
- Approx. Weight?
- Hair color/style?
- Tattoos?
- Marks or deformities?

Clothing:

- Wearing a hat?
- Hat color?
- Shirt/Jacket style?
- Shirt/Jacket color?
- Pants/shorts color?
- Shoe style?
- Shoe Color?
- Purse or Backpack?

Vehicles:

- Make?
- Model?
- Color?
- License Plate/State?
- Body damage?
- Occupants?
- Location?
- Direction of Travel?