



U.T. POLICE DEPARTMENT SAFETY NOTICE



IN AN EFFORT TO PROVIDE TIMELY AND ACCURATE INFORMATION TO OUR STUDENTS, STAFF, AND FACULTY MEMBERS, THE FOLLOWING FACTS ARE PROVIDED:

PUBLIC PROPERTY INCIDENT **Fondling** **Melrose Avenue Area**

The UT Police Department received a police report on March 1, 2017 of a fondling that occurred around 8:30 pm. A female student reported she boarded the T-Link where a group of males boarded shortly after her. One of them sat down behind her and touched her without her consent.

The reporting party has declined to identify a suspect at this time.

Safety Tips:

- Report any and all suspicious activity to police as soon as you are aware of it. Download the Guardian app through the UT app at <http://www.utk.edu/mobile/> and use the tip feature to speak directly with UTPD
- Familiarize yourself with the blue phones in case you have to use one
- It is unlawful to touch someone without their consent

In the event of an attack

- Get to a safe place
- Contact law enforcement immediately
- Preserve any evidence
- Consider the resources available to you through the university, many of which can be found at <http://sexualassault.utk.edu/>

To get involved in making UT safer for everyone become an active bystander - visit <http://wellness.utk.edu/> and learn how you can "Speak UP!" for your volunteer community #VOLSHELPVOLS

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The Clery Act requires the university to notify the campus community of certain criminal activity that occurs on university owned or controlled property. In addition, the university is required to provide safety tips that may aid in the prevention of similar crimes. The intent of a warning regarding a criminal incident(s) is to enable individuals to protect themselves. For further information on the Clery Act: <http://clery.utk.edu/> or <http://clerycenter.org>.

For Safety Notices and Clery statistics, crimes are classified according to the regulations of the Clery Act mandated by the Department of Education. Though state law may categorize an incident differently, Clery definitions and classifications are strictly followed when labeling an incident for Clery reporting purposes. For a list of Clery Act crimes and their definitions, please visit <http://clery.utk.edu/clery-crimes-and-locations/>.