

# SAFETY TIPS

Students can enhance their safety and reduce their risk of being attacked by taking preventative actions.

- Avoid areas where alcohol is being served as alcohol increases the likelihood of impulsive behavior.
- Avoid traveling alone after dark and whenever possible move about in groups that contain friends and acquaintances.
- Be aware of what is going on around you.
- Trust your instincts. If something feels wrong with a person, building or situation, something probably is wrong. Change your plans, move away from the person, and get out of the area – whatever is necessary for you to feel comfortable.
- Do not confront anyone who is making disparaging or demeaning remarks or exhibiting threatening behavior
- If you think you are being followed, stay in well-lighted areas and go into a store or restaurant.
- Know the locations of the emergency phones (phones outside have a blue light on top).

## IF YOU ARE ASSAULTED

Call the University Police Department (UPD) at 845-2345 and/or the Office of Student Life at 845-3113 as soon as possible. The UPD telephone number is printed the back of your Texas A&M ID card together with emergency telephone numbers for on campus (9-911) and off campus (911). Try to remember as much as you can about the assailant.

Important characteristics include: sex, race, hair color and length, body size, clothing description, scars, tattoos, mode of travel, vehicle type, color and license plate number. UPD officers will coordinate with law enforcement in College Station or Bryan and will immediately begin a search for the suspect(s). The Office of Student Life will assist, support, and guide you through the aftermath of any such incident. And we encourage you to report any incident with hate or bias as a component.