To: University Police

From: Chief Marty Williamson

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Subj: Campus Broadcasts

Directive: 15-5

It is not unusual for the UPD to receive calls of suspicious subjects or theft suspects that have been seen on our campus. Normally UPD dispatches officers to the area and a search is conducted. Since our CSOs and Parking Officers are on the same frequency they hear the traffic and are additional eyes that may be able to locate the person in question.

In an effort to allow for more “eyes” to help officers locate individuals on campus we have created a Campus Broadcast concept that will offer the ability to put out a broadcast on the Facilities’ radio channel when we believe Facilities staff is on campus. Certainly, during the day this could be as many 20 additional eyes to help us locate someone.

In the event of a non violent incident where there is a suspicious subject or some sort of suspect that UPD would like to locate on the CSUB campus the following procedure will be implemented:

When the dispatcher receives a call of a non violent situation where the UPD would be searching for someone or a vehicle on campus, an officer will be dispatched according to existing policy and procedures.

In addition to the existing dispatch procedure, when the dispatcher is available, a Campus Broadcast will be put out on the Facilities’ radio frequency. It should be announced with something similar to:

Attention, UPD Campus Broadcast. UPD is attempting to locate……

A description should be given with a last known location and if anyone observes the subject to immediately contact UPD via radio or phone if needed. Do not contact the subject.
Facilities staff members, upon hearing the Campus Broadcast, are not expected to stop their assigned duties and go look for the subject. However, if they are out on campus on their normal duties and they observe the subject in the broadcast they are to report the information and location to the UPD dispatcher via radio or phone.

Facilities’ staff members are not expected or encouraged to contact the subject. The objective is to be an observer to allow the police officers to locate and contact the subject.

UPD will not broadcast potentially violent subjects or known dangerous suspects over the Facilities’ radio as part of this Directive.

At anytime, Facilities staff members are encouraged to report any suspicious circumstances to the UPD by radio or phone. Generally, UPD dispatchers monitor the Facilities Department radio, however, when there is heavy radio traffic the dispatcher may need to discontinue the monitoring of the frequency and a phone call will be needed.