Community Crime Alert

Alert: 2020-013
Case #: USF20OFF000227
Date of Alert: April 13, 2020
Offense: Theft

Synopsis: The University of South Florida Police Department (USFPD) received notification of a theft that occurred on April 7, 2020 at approximately 7:30 p.m. The unknown suspect asked to borrow a student’s cell phone and then covertly conducted a financial transaction using an app on the phone to remove funds from the victim’s account. The suspect is listed as a black male riding a black mountain bike with red labeling, and wearing a black and white patterned shirt, brown or tan shorts, black socks, and white slide sandals.

This is an ongoing investigation. If anyone has information regarding the identity of this person or this incident, please contact USF Police at 813-974-2628.

Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to remember the following tips:

- Be careful who you let borrow your phone.
- Dial the number yourself if you’re unsure about the character of a person who has asked for your phone.
- Lock down your payment apps to minimize access to your accounts.
- Report suspicious activity by calling 9-1-1 or 813-974-2628 for non-emergencies.

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