COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION

On Friday, July 12, 2019, at approximately 7:00 p.m., the University of South Florida Police Department received notification of an attempted robbery that occurred just west of campus near University Square Drive and Bruce B Downs Blvd. The victim ran across Bruce B Downs and summoned USF Police via an on campus Emergency Blue Light Phone.

The USF Police initiated an investigation and searched the area with negative results. No physical injuries were reported to police. No weapons were seen by the victim. The two suspects described as a White male and a Hispanic male in their mid-thirties fled west away from campus. The White male was last seen wearing a red shirt and a white baseball cap. The Hispanic male was wearing a black blazer.

Due to the incident occurring off campus, the Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office responded to the scene to continue the investigation. Based on the information received during the investigation, it is believed that there is not an ongoing threat to the campus.

Anyone having information regarding the incident is requested to contact the Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office at 813-247-8000 or the USF Police Department (813)-974-2628.

Students are encouraged to remember the following safety tips:

- Be vigilant and keenly aware of the environment around you.
- Notify the police if anyone or anything looks out of place.
- Report suspicious activity immediately by calling 9-1-1.
- Use the USF SAFE Team safety escort service when on campus. (974-SAFE).