What to know about the Clery Act

In 1990 the Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act was created to honor the memory of Jeanne Clery who lost her life due to the crime of another student. Jeanne's parents believed if she had known about crime in the area, she could have made more informed decisions for her safety which could have spared her life.

In 1998 the law was later renamed the <u>Jeanne Clery Disclosure of</u> <u>Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (20 USC §</u> <u>1092(f))</u>, also referred to as the Clery Act, to honor Jeanne's memory. However, the mission remains the same:

To provide timely information to the community about crime occurring in the area so they may make informed decisions regarding their safety and safety of others.

The Clery Act requires higher education institutions who receive federal funds to comply policies and procedures related to safety and security. Clery compliance is regulated by the Department of Education, and strict fines and penalties are enforced on those institutions who fail to comply with its mandates. Lincoln Memorial University works diligently to comply with the Clery Act and to keep its community safe and informed.

This website serves as a platform of information and resources to help the campus community understand the Clery Act, to provide easily accessible campus crime information and statistics, and to support other initiatives related to compliance.

For additional information on the university's compliance with the Clery Act, or to address any questions or concerns, you may contact the Clery Coordinator at <u>robin.johnson02@Imunet.edu</u>.

The purpose of the Clery Act is to provide information to the campus community so they can make informed decisions for their personal safety, and the safety of others. By providing crime and safety information in a variety of ways, the Clery Act enables the community to take charge of their safety. Even if a Safety Notice is not issued, the community should still be aware of crime on campus as LMU PD assists our community by making information readily available. All crime reported to a CSA or LMU PD is posted every business day on our Daily Crime Log. The crime log is available anytime a copy is available during normal business hours at the LMU Police Department. Even if a Safety Notice is not issued for a sexual assault or other crime reportable in the Clery Act, it is still included in our annual statistics and reported to the <u>Department of Education</u>. Whether a Safety Notice is issued or not, the students involved are still offered the same number of services, safety measures, and support.

A Safety Notice is only a small piece of the picture when a sexual assault is reported. To ensure we are utilizing our notification system in the best way possible, only incidents posing a serious and ongoing threat to campus is considered for a Safety Notice, and each decision is made on a case-by-case basis. The crime log is always available to see what is occurring on and near campus. If anyone feels they need immediate assistance, LMU PD is available 24 hours a day, and the Offices of Title IX and Student Conduct are available during regular business hours.