


**TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT STANDARD OPERATIONS POLICY**

	<b>CHAPTER: 07</b>	<b>POLICY: 07.01.01</b>	<b>CALEA STANDARDS:</b>
	<b>TITLE: Community Awareness and Resource Team Operations</b>		<b>STATE STATUTE:</b>

**PURPOSE**

To provide a written directive that outlines the general operations and expectations of the Community Awareness and Resource team.

**POLICY**

- A. The Texas State University Police Department will conduct the following in an effort to reduce campus crime:**
  - 1. Crime analysis - Examines crime reports to determine crime trends/patterns. Program and project recommendations to combat identifiable problems. Measures should then be implemented, i.e., increased police visibility. Operation I.D. programs, surveillance tactics, etc.**
  - 2. Conduct lighting and security surveys upon request of supervisors, patrol officers, Texas State University administrators and others, to determine appropriate security measures and/or lighting needs; i.e., physical security, including lock mechanisms, windows, manner of ingress/egress, key control, alarm systems, lighting needs, necessary tree/shrubbery trimming for increased visibility, etc.**
  - 3. Conduct campus-wide crime prevention programs i.e., Campus Watch, Personal Safety/Sexual Assault Awareness, Property Safety, etc.**
  - 4. Provide community education- Advise university faculty, staff and students, as well as community members, of crime prevention programs through demonstrations, public speeches, campus media and public relations materials.**
  - 5. Maintain a crime prevention library with reference materials for public use, including films and brochures.**
  - 6. Conduct an annual program evaluation to determine program effectiveness.**

- B. Specific crime prevention target projects available to include the following:**
- 1. Conducting security/lighting surveys**
  - 2. Promotion of Bobcat Bobbie Safety Escort Service**
  - 3. Distribution of information, i.e., Information Pamphlet, etc**
  - 4. Availability for public address, including formal and informal discussions**
  - 5. Abandoned bicycle tagging**
  - 6. Bicycle programs**
  - 7. Drug and alcohol awareness programming.**
  - 8. Personal safety programs, i.e., Rape Aggression Defense**
  - 9. Operation Identification**
- C. A Community Awareness and Resource Team Member shall be available for meetings with community groups to discuss all aspects of crime prevention. Direct involvement currently includes:**
- 1. Addressing orientation groups (both students and employees).**
  - 2. Organizing regularly scheduled meetings with faculty and staff, Information exchange, updates on crime trends and security measures in buildings and on the grounds.**
  - 3. Consultation and training for student services, including the Bobcat Bobbie Safety Escort Service (a nightly safety escort service staffed by students) and Nighttime Building Security.**
  - 4. Participation in community and student events via presentations and displays on crime prevention programs.**