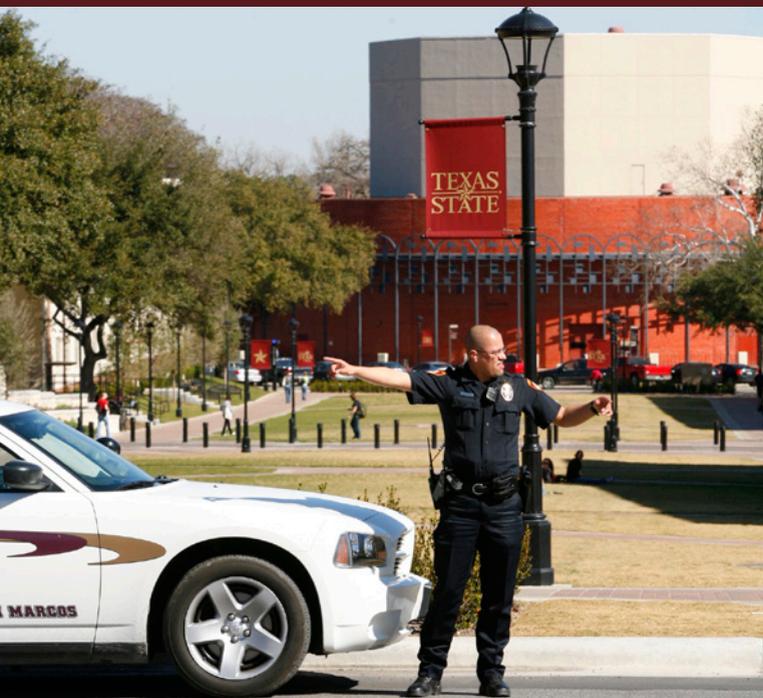


### Sexual Assault

If you are a victim of sexual assault, report the assault to the police before you do anything else. Most sexual assaults on campus involve alcohol or drugs. The only difference between sexual assault by a stranger and date rape or acquaintance rape is that in the latter cases, the victim knows the rapist. Know your capabilities. No one can tell you whether to resist or not; this is an individual decision. Know that the perpetrator, and no one else, is responsible for what happens. Seek advice from the police department immediately. If you prefer to remain anonymous, you can receive a temporary name for use in connection with the case. University police will provide an advocate from the Hays/Caldwell Women's Center. Psychological counseling is available through the university counseling center. The police department offers a women's-only self-defense program. Call 512.245.8341 for information.

### Emergency Telephones

Emergency telephones are positioned throughout the campus. They are yellow with a blue light above them, and when a student picks one up to request emergency assistance, help is on the way immediately. University police also can be reached in an emergency by calling 911.



### Important Numbers

Crimes in progress	911
Nonemergency	512.245.2805
Bobcat Bobbies escort service	512.245.SAFE (7233)
Motorist assists	512.245.2805
University Crime Stoppers	512.245.STOP
Crisis Hotline	512.396.3939
Hays County Rape Crisis	512.396.4357
National Help Line	800.262.2463
Texas State University Counseling Center	512.245.2208

### Operating Hours

Patrol	24 hours
Communications	24 hours
Records	8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Administration	8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



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# Texas State University Police



**Emergency: 911**  
**Nonemergency: 512.245.2805**



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# UPD

## For Your Information

### Alcoholic Beverages

The legal drinking age in Texas is 21. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed on campus except in residence hall rooms of students age 21 or older. The only exception is by permit from the Dean of Student's office, located in room 5.9.2 of the LBJ Student Center. Currently, 18 of Texas State's 21 residence halls are alcohol-free.

### Illegal Drugs

The university has a zero-tolerance policy for drug use or possession, or possession of drug paraphernalia. A person in possession of any amount of an illegal substance will face criminal charges and may be sanctioned by the university as well.

### Lost and Found

The university police will accept lost property, which will be held for a period of 90 days. After that, unclaimed items are turned over to the Property Management Office for auction. To inquire about lost and found property, call 512.245.2197 or stop by the Parking Services office at the corner of LBJ and Bobcat Trail.

### Most Frequent Crimes

The crimes experienced most frequently on campus are burglary and theft, especially from residence hall rooms. Telephone harassment is also a frequent offense. Lock your doors when you leave your room unoccupied, even for a short time. Lock the hallway door while you are in the shower and bathroom. Don't leave valuables (jewelry, wallets, purses, checkbooks and textbooks) in plain sight.

### Be Alert to Your Surroundings

One of the best crime deterrents is being alert to your surroundings. If you are the victim of a crime, contact the police immediately. Timely reporting of crimes leads to higher arrest and clearance rates. If you see someone or something suspicious on campus, call the university police immediately by dialing 911. Don't assume that someone else will do it.

## Welcome to Texas State

Texas State University-San Marcos is located at the edge of the Texas Hill Country in San Marcos, Texas, a community of 50,000 people. The San Marcos campus, which covers 457 acres, contains 225 buildings. The university owns nearly 5,000 additional acres in recreational, instructional, farm and ranch land. On the San Marcos campus are 21 residence halls and five apartment complexes capable of housing more than 6,100 students.

## About the University Police Department

The Texas State University Police Department (UPD) is a public service-oriented law enforcement agency responsible for providing police protection for the university's faculty, staff, students and property. The department consists of 102 full-time employees, including 33 commissioned peace officers. Parking Services employs 16 noncommissioned parking service officers who assist with traffic, parking and information. Security Access includes nine noncommissioned security officers. Part-time student employees further assist the police department in the duties of dispatch, ticket writing and student patrol.

## Police Services

Police Services, a division of UPD, provides law enforcement and crime prevention for the university community. UPD has an outstanding record of minimizing crime on campus. In an emergency, dial 911 from any phone on campus or find a yellow emergency phone. Our response time for emergencies is normally less than two minutes. If you need general information or nonemergency service from UPD, please call 512.245.2805 and talk to one of our state-certified dispatchers.

Our response time for report calls is normally about four minutes. All Texas State University commissioned police officers are licensed by the state as peace officers and have the same powers of arrest as the Department of Public Safety, the San Marcos Police Department or the Hays County Sheriff's Office. University police file reports, issue citations (e.g., moving violations, minor in possession of alcoholic beverages, etc.), and make arrests when necessary. UPD's jurisdiction includes any county in Texas where the university owns, rents or leases property; however, our primary concern is the main campus.

## Community Awareness and Resource Team

Members of the Community Awareness and Resource Team present more than 100 programs each year to students, faculty, staff and parents of new students. These programs include personal safety, property protection, sexual assault awareness, women's-only self-defense, Operation Identification and other custom presentations. The team provides electric engravers that students may check out for free to mark their valuables. They also perform building and lighting surveys periodically. For more information call 512.245.8341 or e-mail [cart@txstate.edu](mailto:cart@txstate.edu).

## Criminal Investigation Division

UPD's Criminal Investigation Division (CID) conducts all misdemeanor and felony investigations on offenses reported to UPD. Three investigators are assigned to this division, and each one is assigned individual cases. Investigators contact victims, interview suspects, examine physical evidence, conduct search warrants, obtain arrest warrants and assist the district attorney's office in the prosecution of cases. Each investigator is specially trained in many different investigative methods, including: crime scene search, evidence preservation, surveillance, electronic crime investigation and sexual assault investigation. CID is also responsible for the storage, categorization, preservation and long-term storage of all evidence collected by UPD.

## Emergency Communications

The Texas State UPD Communications Unit is the link between the campus community and the Police Department, Parking Service officers, Security Service officers and the Bobcat Bobbies. Telecommunications operators work 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and they are certified through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education as well as through the Texas Department of Public Safety. Duties include answering 911 emergency and nonemergency phone calls; monitoring all fire, panic and intrusion alarms; and monitoring and dispatching police and civilian personnel on more than 14 radio channels, while maintaining the highest level of professionalism and dedication to the campus community.

UPD is considered a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP), meaning we answer 911 emergency calls made from hard line phones (phones plugged into the wall) on campus. Calls to 911 from cell phones are directed to the San Marcos Police Department's Communications Unit. If you use a cell phone to report an incident that occurred on campus, let the dispatcher know that you need to be transferred to the Texas State University Police Department.

## Access Services

Access Services is responsible for door access systems and video systems on campus. Electronic door access and video camera recording are accomplished using sophisticated, computer-managed, campus-wide systems. This unit is also responsible for installation, repair and management of all locks and hardware related to traditional key-operated systems.

## Parking Services

Parking Services is responsible for providing students, faculty and staff with safe and efficient access to classrooms, auxiliary buildings and facilities. Parking areas on central campus are dedicated for use by faculty, staff and on-campus residents. Commuter parking is located on the perimeter of the campus. The university's shuttle bus system provides transportation service from these remote lots to central campus. The Texas Education Code gives Texas State the authority to regulate parking on campus, and the Transportation and Parking Committee reviews the parking rules and regulations on a regular basis. The UPD Parking Services division has the authority to enforce these rules. For more information on Parking Services go to [www.parking.txstate.edu](http://www.parking.txstate.edu).

## Security Services

Security Services ensures all exterior doors at Texas State University-San Marcos and the Round Rock Higher Education Center are secured after hours. This unit employs nine full-time, noncommissioned security officers. The officers patrol both campuses and provide lock and unlock services. Security services officers also conduct lighting surveys, fire- and intrusion-alarm testing and response.

## Safety Escort Assistance

Security Services is in charge of the Bobcat Bobbie safety patrol. The Bobcat Bobbies are students who patrol the campus in golf carts and on foot. Their primary purpose is to report all suspicious and criminal activity they encounter. The Bobcat Bobbies provide escorts from dusk to dawn for members of the university community to and from anywhere on campus. Bobbies do not provide escorts off campus.

## Office of Emergency Management

The Office of Emergency Management (OEM), a division of UPD, is responsible for preparing the students, faculty, staff and visitors at Texas State for natural and manmade disasters. The OEM will prepare the university community for emergencies and coordinate interagency response and recovery. For more information on the Office of Emergency Management go to [www.emergencyinfo.txstate.edu](http://www.emergencyinfo.txstate.edu) or e-mail [emergencymanagement@txstate.edu](mailto:emergencymanagement@txstate.edu).

## Emergency Campus Closing

For information about emergency campus closing or other emergency situations, contact the campus information operator (512.245.2111). Also, the director of media relations and publications will place the appropriate information on the university's Recorded News Bulletin System (512.245.2424), the university Web site ([www.txstate.edu](http://www.txstate.edu)), and will notify area TV and radio stations and area newspapers. Campus reopening will be announced in the same manner.

