



UMPD Student Advisory Council 2024-2025
Meeting #1: September 20th, 2024

→ Introductions

- ◆ Where is everyone from? Share your favorite experiences about University of Maryland

→ Student leadership Discussion Topics

- ◆ Increased presence of micro-mobility
 - UMPD involvement with micro-mobility moving infractions
 - Can we tell UMD DOTS anything for you?

Don't think that watching the videos has done anything because you just need to click through the videos and you're done. UMPD's biggest concern is safety. Tremendous pushbacks from parents and students. 10-11 transported so far this semester with serious scooter accidents. Try to educate about rules of the road. You are considered a vehicle if you are on the road.

Different enforcement days: first stop is a warning and literature. Second or more is ticket and OSC referral.

University should identify locations for safe and suitable locations for storage and charging.

Information analysis unit monitors social media and sees that people are hopping on websites to talk about enforcement and tattles on cops. The sentiment coming back is really favorable of enforcement.

- ◆ SGA can say something positive

Regents drive garage and stadium drive is a horrendous 4 way stop, they do lots of enforcement over there.

Annapolis area has some issues with the gas powered scooters

Big theft issue - registration helps with recovery and investigations.

Helmets on scooters are not a traffic law so they can't be enforced.



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Having a positive influence online is the best way we can help UMPD. If you get a scooter you must have a securing device with it. 60% of scooters stolen are not secured properly. Targeting RAs to speak to residents is also a great idea.

Majority of thefts may be from non-campus members.

- ◆ Direct engagement within the student body on policing issues
 - From last year: Ride-alongs are available to all students to see what UMPD does on a daily basis
 - DBK ride along article, could also work with dispatch
- ◆ Mental health protocols
 - On the ground crisis management
 - Updates on transport policies
 - Expanding ride-alongs with mental health officers.
 - *MHART - Amy is the counselor who rides along*
 - ◆ *Looking at hiring 3 more, one is in the pipeline*
 - ◆ *Looking to increase the hours of coverage for 24 hour clock*
 - *Bi-weekly UHC and UMPD meetings*
 - *Big change for police officers, for the officers to be a part of this program they can see how the counselors work. Police tend to only see the safety aspect. This program has moved UMPD vastly forward.*
 - *Program going phenomenally*
 - *Lots of other BIG10s are looking at moving towards this*
 - *All officers have CIT training and among squads there are officers with CIT certification who get dispatched if necessary*
 - *Recognize that they are not the best people to deal with this but that they are the only ones*
 - *10 Emergency Psychiatric Services already this month*
 - *3 in one day*
 - *1 that will likely happen later today*
 - *Respond in an unmarked van*
 - ◆ *Very nice vehicle*



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- Majority of students who give feedback mention positive feelings about vehicle
- Another 1 or 2 would be great
- ◆ No handcuffs unless an immediate threat
- ◆ They do not just drop you off at hospital
 - Always provide a card so you can call and they will drive you back
- Reporting [suicides](#)
- ◆ Purple Line planning
- ◆ Provides easy access for unwanted individuals to campus, easy to hop off, steal something, and hop back on
 - Any building near purple line will likely have an increase in theft
- ◆ Plan to beef up camera presence along these areas for deterrence and investigations
- ◆ Trains don't slow down well
 - No indication that micro mobility or cars will decrease in frequency
 - Likely accident increase
 - Does not run automatically
- ◆ Purple line may positively impact micro mobility and micro mobility issues
- ◆ Another police department MVTa will help patrol, another agreement with another agency and more coverage for campus
 - Additional Campus Safety planning and initiatives needed
 - Additional lighting? Where are our places of demand?
- ◆ Combatting sexual assault
- ◆ Leadbetter and Hoass gave presentations about public safety and have added information about sextortion
 - Participation, humor added, students receive these talks well
 - Be careful about buying tons of giftcards
 - Had one this summer with \$10,000
 - Grossly underreported
 - Educate: never send anybody any money
- ◆ Haven't really checked sextortion numbers/reports
- ◆ Same circumstances 100% of the time
 - People that purport to be someone else
 - Voyeurism incidents



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- Sexual Extortion - OCSRM
- Dating violence
- ◆ *Concerns about SWATTING/hoax calls*
 - *Hasn't happened yet*
 - *Disruption of services*
- ◆ Active shooter training and mediation
- ◆ UMPD alerts system
- ◆ Mitigating and responding to hate bias and discrimination
- ◆ De-escalation policies
 - October 7th
 - *De-escalation is a huge part of UMPDs training, 7 months training academy, in-service training (annual)*
 - *Extensive training, 25% of population turns over every year, all young, seeing and doing new things*
 - *Look at complaints that they get and don't get and feel de-escalation has been helpful*
 - *In-service training is an all year thing, people get pulled as availability allows*
 - *De-escalation is not new in UMPD it's just being spoken about more as tensions rise*
 - *It is a way of talking to people, it's not what you say but how you say it*
 - ◆ *Active listening*
 - ◆ *Provide possible solutions*
 - *All have body cams and supervisors do reviews of that footage*
 - ◆ *Especially with arrest or enforcement interactions*
 - ◆ *Allows for re-education and suggestions for handling situations differently*
 - *Police department is not first line of defense with October 7th*
 - ◆ *That's part of de-escalation*
 - ◆ *STAMP staff is mostly the people on the grounds*
 - *Students have felt positively about that*
 - ◆ *Students interact much differently with civilian staff than UMPD*
 - *UMPD's networking and partnering*



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- *Talk to campus bodies every single day*
 - *If you have an event you will have a very safe event*
 - *You have first amendment rights*
 - *Both sides have come up to thank them*
 - *Proactive in meeting with stakeholders*
 - *If we hear inflamed rhetoric feel free to reach out to UMPD directly if it sounds strange/unusual*
 - *Would much rather speak with students than see it in the media*
 - *SGA plans to host feedback forum*
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 - *Other Campus Safety initiatives*
- UMPD leadership Discussion Topics
- ◆ *Will DOTS do free safety device U-lock giveaways*
 - ◆ *Electric vehicle projects*
 - *Want input and endorsements from Students so police can flip their vehicle to be more sustainable 7-10 vehicles*
 - *For command staff and admin to gauge use of them*
 - *Georgia Tech has electric vehicle program*
 - *Could save up to \$14,000 a year in gas savings*
 - *Sustainability fund request*
 - ◆ *Open Forums*
 - *After elections they are more willing to commit to initiatives*
- Plan for future meetings/events