Personal Safety & Security Reporting Suspicious Activity



The <u>Federal Protective Service</u> is committed to ensuring the safety and security of those who visit and work in Federal facilities. As co-chair of the <u>Government Services and Facilities Sector</u>, FPS promotes security and resilience by sharing information and resources with state, local, tribal, and territorial government personnel. Below are a few best practices to consider.

Suspicious of something? Report it!

Anyone can report suspicious activity to prevent something potentially dangerous from occurring. Do not be afraid to tell someone; it's better to say something and have it turn out to be nothing than to not say anything at all.

Who should you contact?

- Contact the FPS MegaCenter to report suspicious activity at a Federal facility by calling the Toll Free Number: 1-877-4FPS-411 (1-877-437-7411)
- Contact your security office/officer if you have any issues or questions related to your departments or agency's security preparations.
- If there is an emergency, call 911.

Situational Awareness

- When walking in public, stay aware by minimizing mobile device use. Walking and reading can make you an easy target.
- Is someone following you? Drive or walk to a well-lit area and contact the police. Do not go home.
- Do not leave packages or valuables in plain sight in your car.

While at Work

- Never allow unauthorized personnel into your area/facility.
- Doors should never be propped open.
- Always keep government identification cards on your person; never leave them inside your computer or lend them out.
- Never write down passwords where others can access them.

Traveling

- Be aware of your surroundings at all times.
- Keep government credentials out of sight when in public areas.
- Avoid posting your location (including geotagging) on social media, as well as your travel itinerary.
- Never speak about work related projects while in public.

While at Home

- Know alternate routes to travel home from work; routinely vary your commuting routes.
- Never let strangers know you're not home when communicating via a wireless security doorbell.
- Ensure children know how to dial 911 in case of emergency.
- Consider installing motion sensing external lights, home security cameras, and/or a home alarm system.

CONTACT THE FPS MEGACENTER
TO REPORT ANY SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY:

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