

Oct. 15, 2021

Dear UMB Community:

Leadership styles are described in many different ways. For me, I like to “listen, learn, and lead.” These first two steps are critical to our success.



That is why I am asking today for your feedback about safety at the University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB). We cannot learn and improve if we don't first listen to the needs of our community. I want to encourage every student and employee to complete this survey – it should take no more than 10 minutes. Your anonymous responses are extremely valuable and will help us shape our department. You can take the survey here: <https://bit.ly/umbpdsurvey2021>.

Thank you for your honesty and your time. I look forward to learning from you.

Sincerely,

Thomas Leone, MSL
UMB Chief of Police

Public Safety Update

Safety Tip of the Month: Request a Safe Ride

Did you know you can request a Safe Ride through the Mobile UMB app? It's quick and easy – just open the app and tap “Safe Ride.” Log in with your UMID and password. Request your pickup and drop-off locations within the Safe Ride service boundaries and confirm your ride. You can track your driver just like a rideshare app!

Our Safe Ride service is available between 7 a.m. and 1 a.m. Average wait time is between eight and 10 minutes. No smartphone? Call 410-706-6882. [Learn more.](#)

Serving Our Community

UMBPD Survey

Chief Leone invites you to take a [short survey](#) about public safety at UMB. This anonymous survey takes 10 minutes or less. Your feedback will provide the UMB Police Department (UMBPD) with valuable information about the perception of safety on campus, UMBPD resources, and more. Thank you for your time!

DEA National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

UMBPD is teaming up with the School of Pharmacy for National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day! Prevent pill abuse and theft by safely disposing of expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. Bring pills for disposal to the SMC Campus Center on Wednesday, Oct. 20, or Saturday, Oct. 23, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The service is free and anonymous – no questions asked.

Lexington Market Beautification Day

Join Chief Leone, the UMBPD Community Outreach and Support Team, and the Markets Center Merchants Association for Lexington Market Beautification Day on Oct. 23 from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Meet at The Place Lounge at 315 W. Franklin St. Please bring work gloves if you have them.

Training Update

UMBPD police officers started the 10-week [Resilience Project](#) virtual seminar series Sept. 28. Attendees are learning about resiliency and stress management in community policing. Officers also are taking History of Policing and Trauma Informed Policing training from Kyla Liggett-Creel, PhD, LCSW-C, of the School of Social Work. Thank you to all our partners for your contributions to our robust police training program.

UMB 2021 Clery Campus Security and Fire Report

On Oct. 1, Chief Leone sent an [email to our community](#) about our [UMB 2021 Clery Campus Security and Fire Report](#). Please take a few minutes to review this important information about crime, policies, safety tips, and more.

Kudos for Our Cops *(recognizing excellent customer service in our community)*

Congratulations to security officer Tonya Hilliard, who was featured in the University of Maryland School of Medicine's (UMSOM) "I Heart UMSOM" campaign. Tonya serves as the security officer in the Bressler Research Building. In addition to the campaign, members of UMSOM reached out to

UMBPD to recognize Tonya for her excellent customer service. Congratulations!

Public Safety Partners

Office of Emergency Management

Flu Shots

Some symptoms of flu and COVID-19 are similar, so getting a flu shot this year is more important than ever! The flu shot clinic is open Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to noon and Thursdays from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. [Learn more and schedule an appointment.](#)

Great ShakeOut Earthquake Drill on Oct. 21

Do you know what to do during an earthquake? Prepare yourself and your office by participating in the Great ShakeOut Earthquake Drill – “Drop, Cover, and Hold On” at 10:21 a.m. on Oct. 21. [Learn more.](#)

Environmental Health and Safety

Wet Lab Safety

Wet laboratories contain a variety of hazardous, highly toxic, corrosive, flammable, and explosive chemicals. While safety practices focus on the accidental release of chemicals, security practices also should focus on preventing any intentional release.

- Maintain an accurate inventory of hazardous materials.
- Establish specific purchasing policies; avoid ordering more hazardous materials than you need.
- Control access to materials; keep materials secure when not in use; report thefts or losses immediately.



Please visit umaryland.edu/police for more information

about the UMB Police Department.
