



# UMB Police Department

## August 2022



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Dear UMB Community:

With sweltering heat these last few weeks, we really are in the dog days of summer. And yet I'm excited to see students returning and the University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB) buzzing again. I love walking around campus, meeting new friends, and greeting familiar faces.



In the weeks ahead, I look forward to meeting many of our new students at orientation. Please encourage new students, faculty, and staff to [subscribe to our Public Safety Newsletter](#) and [follow us on social media](#) for important safety updates, trainings, and more. Safety is our No. 1 priority. An informed community is a safe community, so please help us to spread the word!

Sincerely,

**Thomas Leone, MSL**  
*UMB Chief of Police*

### Public Safety Update

### **Safety Tip of the Month**

When you park in a UMB garage, help is always nearby. UMB parking attendants and UMB security officers regularly walk through parking garages. Parking attendants also can be found at the entrance to every garage. These attendants and security officers can quickly contact police during an emergency.

If you see something, say something. While parking garages are open to UMB visitors, vehicles should not be driving aggressively, blocking in cars, or acting in a dangerous manner. Always keep the doors to your vehicle locked when you are inside your vehicle and after you leave. Check your mirrors before exiting your vehicle; if you see someone approaching your vehicle, stay inside the vehicle with your doors locked. ***In an emergency, always call 911.***

Report suspicious or unsafe activity to the UMB Police Department (UMBPD) at 410-706-6882 or talk to an attendant or security officer. Safe Walk is available 24/7, even inside parking garages, by calling 410-706-6882. Safe Ride is available from 7 a.m. to 1 a.m. through the Mobile UMB App. Please note: Safe Ride will take passengers to the entrance of your parking garage, but cannot take passengers to their vehicle inside a garage.

## **Serving Our Community**

### **Swearing-In Ceremony for Chief Leone**

Save the date! UMBPD is proud to announce the swearing-in ceremony of Chief Thomas Leone on Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 2 p.m. in Westminster Hall. The ceremony, which was delayed due to COVID-19 restrictions, celebrates one year since Leone was named UMBPD chief. The event is open to the public and a reception with light refreshments will follow. [Learn more and RSVP.](#)

### **National Night Out a Success**

Thank you to all our neighbors and friends who joined us at National Night Out on Aug. 2! This annual community-building event welcomed hundreds of people for music, games, food, and more. [Read more.](#)

### **Celebrating Our Security Officers**

Our security officers welcome students, faculty, and staff to UMB buildings every day. In the Allied Health Research Building, security officer David Laveist has been making quite a splash with his positivity and creativity. [Learn more.](#)

### **Radiological Security Awareness and Response (RSAR)**

On Sept. 15-16, UMB will be hosting an RSAR joint exercise with the Baltimore Police Department. The exercise is conducted by the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Radiological Security. Baltimore is only the second city to host this exercise. Our RSAR partners include UMB's Environmental Health and Safety, Center for Information Technology Services, and Office of Emergency Management, as well as the University of Maryland Medical Center, Veterans Affairs Police, and Johns Hopkins Hospital Security.

## Public Safety Partners

### Office of Emergency Management (OEM)

#### Active Assailant Door Locks

You may have noticed new door locks and informational stickers popping up across campus. These locks were a top recommendation by the Sandy Hook Advisory Commission to ensure that all doors could be locked from inside. [Learn more about these door locks.](#)



#### Active Assailant Preparedness

Committed to creating an informed and resilient community, UMB has developed several training opportunities and resources to ensure that our students, faculty, staff, and visitors are prepared in the unlikely event of an active assailant. [Learn more](#) about UMB Alerts, Stop the Bleed training, Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE) training, and more.

### Environmental Health and Safety (EHS)

#### Controlled Dangerous Substances (CDS) Updated Researcher's Manual

Researchers, registrants, and other authorized users of CDS — as defined by the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) Diversion Control Division and Controlled Substances Act — must comply with federal and state standards. In addition to proper registration and safe use practices, effective security is important to deter diversion and reduce access for unauthorized users.

Research use of CDS must occur under a specific research registration, unlike the more common practitioner registration. The regulations guiding research use of CDS can be difficult to understand; thankfully, the DEA recently published an updated [Researcher's Manual \(PDF\)](#) .

Learn more about UMB's [Policy on Research Use of Controlled Substances](#) and review common topics at EHS' [Controlled Substances webpage](#).



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