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**Information on sex offense - fondling**

At about 11:45 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, 2018, the University of Missouri Police Department received a report from a female subject who said she was the victim of a sexual offense during a concert on the Carnahan Quadrangle earlier that evening.

According to the report, the victim and friends were standing near the stage at about 10:15 p.m. when the victim reported that the suspect came up behind her and rubbed against her in a sexual manner. The victim reported that she left the concert immediately after the incident and never spoke to the suspect.

The suspect is described as a light-skinned black male in his 50s, short gray hair, about 6-foot tall and wearing a light-purple shirt and black shorts.

The investigation is ongoing.

If you have any information regarding this sexual offense, please contact MU police Department at (573) 882-7201, or call CrimeStoppers at (573) 875-TIPS (8477) to remain anonymous.

This information is provided to the community in an effort to keep the community informed of crimes on campus. MUPD encourages all victims of crime to report the incident so they may receive assistance, counseling, and help with the incident in addition to apprehending the suspect and providing accurate crime statistics to the community. While you can do everything correctly and still be the victim of a crime, MUPD has posted several documents, covering various safety topics to reduce your chances of becoming a victim of crime that can be reviewed and printed at: [http://mupolice.com/mupd/safetytips](http://mupolice.com/mupd/safetytips)

The MU Police Department offers the following general safety tips:

- Walk with others or make arrangements to leave your destination with others.
- Check in with a friend or family member and let them know that you are leaving/arriving so they are aware of your plans.
- Walk to your vehicle with your keys in hand. If you use a remote, unlock the driver’s side door (generally pushing unlock only once on your remote). While approaching your vehicle, keep in mind any vehicle alarms that can be activated by remote.
- When walking to your vehicle in the garage-walk with the flow of traffic. This allows you to see between vehicles as you approach, providing less opportunity for others to remain hidden.
- Check the interior of your vehicle before getting in by glancing in the windows.
- Know the location of the nearest exit and emergency phone. Emergency phones are located at the stairwells of each garage level.
- If you carry mace or other personal protection devices make sure that you have used them before, know how they work, and could use them quickly under stress. Make sure they are readily available and not buried in your purse or pocketIf you see someone acting suspiciously, report
that information to the MU Police Department. You can contact police through an emergency phone, 911 or (573) 882-7201.

- Consider taking a R.A.D. Basic Self Defense class through MUPD.
- Other crime prevention tips can be found on the MUPD website.


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