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NOVA’s Safety Symposium

NOVA’s Office of Emergency Management and Planning, Office of Student Mental Health and Behavior, and NOVA Police Department hosted a Safety Symposium at the Medical Education Campus on April 23, 2012. This symposium, which will be held at each NOVA campus, implements a key recommendation of the Presidential Commission on Safety and Security.

The topics discussed were:
* How to deal with difficult people
* Active Shooter, Tornados and You
* What is NOVA doing to keep you safe
* How to recognize and report behavior that concerns you
* Substance use and abuse—laws, policies and resources
* Nature, extent, and impact of intimate partner violence on a college campus

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(below) MEC Provost, Brian Foley, introduced the Symposium’s speakers and topics.

(below) NOVA Medical Education Campus faculty, staff and students.

(above) Lt. John Weinstein conducted training on dealing with difficult people.
New District 1 Office of Emergency Management

NOVA welcomes its new District 1 Emergency Management Coordinator, Thomas Mayhew. Thomas has more than 25 years of experience in both Police and Fire and Rescue in Northern Virginia, and has worked for FEMA for almost a decade. He has been deployed all over the United States in response to various natural disasters. Thomas will be responsible for emergency management at the Woodbridge and Alexandria Campuses. He can be reached at tmayhew@nvcc.edu.

NOVA’s Clery Act Responsibilities

The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (20 USC § 1092(f)) is the landmark federal law, originally known as the Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990, that requires colleges and universities across the United States to disclose information about crime on and around their campuses to the campus community. The Clery Act, monitored by the Department of Education, is named in memory of 19 year old university freshman Jeanne Ann Clery who was raped and murdered in a residence hall room at Lehigh University in 1986. Jeanne’s parents discovered that students hadn’t been told about 38 violent crimes on their daughter’s campus in the three years before her murder. They joined with other campus crime victims and security advocates to persuade Congress to enact this law.

The Clery Act requires reporting for specific crimes such as murder, robbery, arson and sexual assault. It also requires reporting hate crimes as well as firearms, and (selected) alcohol and narcotics violations. The Clery Act also establishes requirements and procedures for timely notifications of emergency or dangerous situations, along with appropriate preparatory and protective actions. The law was amended in 1992 to require schools to afford the victims of campus sexual assault certain basic rights. It was amended again in 1998 to expand reporting requirements. The 1998 amendment also formally named the law in memory of Jeanne Clery.

Subsequent amendments added provisions dealing with registered sex offender notification and campus emergency response. They also added provisions to protect crime victims, “whistleblowers”, and others from retaliation.


Copies of the report can also be obtained at any NOVA campus Police Station. Contact the NOVA Police Department’s Clery Act coordinator, Lt. John Weinstein at: (703) 845-6058 for additional information.
NOVA Police and Office of Emergency Management and Planning Blogs

NOVA Police and the Office of Emergency Management and Planning (OEMP) recently created individual blogs, located on the NOVA website. The blogs will be used to increase communication with the NOVA community, and feature safety tips, training and event announcements, and provides official college information about emergency management issues. To visit the blogs, go to the following links:
http://blogs.nvcc.edu/police
http://blogs.nvcc.edu/emergency

Recognition of Service for Alexandria Campus

On April 12, 2012, the NOVA Police Department and Office of Emergency Management and Planning recognized the Alexandria Campus Provost, Dr. Peter Maphumulo, and fellow campus faculty and staff for outstanding support during the December 2011 campus lockdown in response to a disgruntled individual with a gun in a building bordering the campus.

(below) Alexandria’s Campus police supervisor, Sgt. Chris Ovenden (Lt. John Weinstein (on the left) District 3 Police commander and Will Flagler, OEMP Director) presented a Police-OEMP commendation to Dr. Maphumulo. Dr. Maphumulo presented certificates of commendation to more than 20 faculty and staff who supported the campus lockdown.
NOVA Police Community Outreach Events

On April 28, 2012, NOVA Police sponsored a National Drug Take Back Initiative on the Alexandria and Medical Education Campuses. This event was hosted by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). NOVA collected 197 pounds of miscellaneous controlled and non-controlled drugs, an increase from last year’s total of 139 pounds. This is the fourth time the DEA hosted this event, and the third time NOVA participated in helping dispose of dangerous drugs.

The DEA and NOVA Police will host the next Drug Take Back Initiative in the fall. NOVA Police will announce the time and locations in the Police Blog. For questions on the Drug Take Back Initiative, contact NOVA Police Community Outreach Officer, Tony Ong at Tong@nvcc.edu.

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Is there a topic you feel needs to be addressed? Contact Community Outreach Officer.
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On-Going Events
* Identity Theft
* Shred (AL Campus on May 1)
* Active Shooter (with OEMP)
* Specific dates listed in Police Blog

Coming Soon
Child Seat Installation starting June. Time and locations (TBD).
For more information or to request an assessment of your child safety seat contact: Tong@nvcc.edu

Got Drugs?
Turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal
Saturday, April 28th, 10am – 2pm
NOVA Alexandria & Medical Education Campus

Officers Ong and Shallue pose with almost 200 lbs. of collected drugs.