The West Virginia University Police Department was created in 1961 by an act of the WV Legislature to maintain law and order on the West Virginia University campuses.

- The current Chief of Police is Bob Roberts.
- The West Virginia University Police Department currently has 55 sworn Police Officers.
- All Officers become certified Police Officers at the West Virginia State Police Academy.
In 2012, WVU PD was declared a member of ICLEA which made the organization the only Agency in West Virginia to be Accredited by ICLEA.

The WVU PD is one of only two police departments in the state that are Accredited.

The West Virginia University Police Departments Mission is:

- To enhance the quality of life in our community, the West Virginia University Police commit to preventing crime, preserving the peace and protecting lives and property by enforcing the laws of our state in a just, impartial, and equitable manner.

The West Virginia University Police Department Vision is:

- To be recognized as best in the state for community safety through partnership building.
Emergency Contact

• WVU PD operates 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. You can reach the Police Department with a safety issue by calling 304-293-COPS(2677) and speak to a dispatcher any minute of the day, any day of the week and any week of the year.

• In addition, there are 37 “Blue Tower Emergency Phones” throughout campus which can be used to summon emergency assistance. Any time an Emergency Phone Tower is activated an Officer responds to that location.

• WVU Alert and LiveSafe are also available for safety and emergency assistance.
Safety, at your fingertips

We know that life can sometimes be a little unpredictable. At LiveSafe, we believe that you should have access to the right tools and information, especially if it means keeping yourself and your community safe. This is why we’ve designed an app around your lifestyle, with your safety in mind. With LiveSafe, our goal is to put safety back in your hands.

Make a Difference
See something shady? With a few intuitive clicks, send picture, video, and text tips to the nearest police department.

Stay Protected
In case something goes wrong, we’ve got you covered. Call or discreetly chat with the local police.

Safety Information, When You Need It
View the latest reports in your neighborhood, or receive safety broadcasts straight into your phone. By staying informed, you can make safer decisions.

Peace of Mind
Walking home late at night? Let LiveSafe be your constant companion. With the push of a button, your friends and family can watch you as you get to where you need to be.
Safety, at your fingertips

Serve your community
See something suspicious? Discreetly and intuitively send GPS-tagged audio, video, picture, and text information straight to the nearest authorities. And pat yourself on the back for serving your community!

Better awareness = Safer decisions
Get the latest safety info from your neighbors and police, broadcast straight to you. Knowledge is power, so here's to making it more accessible.

Take the Safer Path
View the latest reports in your area, read about the details, and share the information with others through our interactive social safety map.

Your Constant Companion
Let LiveSafe be your companion when you are unsure of your surroundings. With the push of a button, have your friends and family watch you as you make your walk from point A to point B. When you arrive, just let them know you're safe! If there's trouble, help is just a click away.
Here are Instructions to download the LiveSafe app:

• 1. Open the iTunes or Google Play store, search for “LiveSafe” to download the mobile app
  ➢ Link for iTunes: https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/livesafe/id653666211?mt=8

• 2. Select “West Virginia University” from the list of schools

• 3. Fill-in your name and contact info so we can get in touch in the event of an emergency.
LiveSafe was created with a vision that public safety could be redefined so that individuals have greater power in controlling their safety. Virginia Tech survivor and safety innovator Kristina Anderson teamed up with serial entrepreneur Shy Pahlevani, wanting to create a new paradigm around safety.

They believed that by inspiring information sharing and making it easier for people to connect with their local police, they could prevent crime and make communities safer. Using the latest in mobile technology, they set out to create a service that would connect communities with their local police easily, and intelligently.

The LiveSafe team has now created a two-way communication channel that provides the most innovative and trusted solution in mobile safety. Our mission is to facilitate and increase everyday communication between community members and law enforcement, increase individual safety awareness, and to create a safer world.
• One of the chief areas of concern for West Virginia University and University Police is the safety of students and those on campus.

• Several years ago, the West Virginia University Police introduced a text alert system.

• This system uses SMS texting available on most cell phones, and provides a way to notify a large number of people very quickly about immediate danger.

• The system currently offers an “Emergency Alert,” a “Crime Alert” and a “Weather Alert,” and anyone can sign up for these text messages.
Here's how to sign up!

- WVU can send urgent news to your cell phone.
- Once you sign up for the service, powered by e2Campus, we will be able to text your cell phone with timely information.

Visit: police.wvu.edu
Click on: Sign Up For WVU Alert
Complete Form
Programs Offered

• The West Virginia University Police Department offers a free self defense for women class called P.R.O.T.E.C.T.
  • P.R.O.T.E.C.T. stands for Personal Response Options and Tactically Effective Counter Techniques.
  • The class lasts approximately 4-6 hours and females are taught several different options to help them escape dangerous situations.

• The WVU Police Student Cadet program is offered as student employment through the WVU Police.
  • Students interested in the program submit an application and if qualified are offered an interview and upon selection are hired pending a background check.
  • The Student Cadet program is a great opportunity for students to be involved in the WVU community while observing police work and how officers deal with a variety of different situations and events.
  • Student Cadets are tasked with assisting officers by providing information regarding safety and criminal issues located around campus.
Other Programs Offered

• OPERATION LOCK OUT
• THINK BEFORE YOU DRINK
• SHOTS FIRED
• FLASHPOINT
• SAFE PASSAGE
• ARRIVE ALIVE (DUI Awareness)(Distracted Driving Awareness)
• ALCOHOL / DRUG EDUCATION PROGRAMS
• CRIME PREVENTION INFORMATION TABLES
  • New Student Orientation
• CRIME PREVENTION THROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN (CPTED)
• BICYCLE REGISTRATION PROGRAM
• SECURITY ASSESSMENTS
Contact

- Visit our website: http://police.wvu.edu for great information about what’s happening in your community and crime prevention tips.

- Like our page on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/WVUPD

- Follow us on Twitter @WVUPD