## **SECURITY ALERT**

## **John Carroll University Police**

Type of Incident(s): Catalytic Converter Thefts

Date/Time of Incident(s): 11/17/22 and 12/8/22

**Incident Description:** Catalytic converters have been stolen from three vehicles on the above dates. We believe that all three thefts happened while the vehicles were parked on campus.

**Description of Suspect(s):** There is no suspect information from this incident at this time.

**Additional Information**: Catalytic converter thefts are difficult to prevent. Suspects drive into a parking lot, wait until there is nobody in the area, and then crawl under the vehicle. It only takes a couple minutes to saw off the catalytic converter and drive away. Unfortunately, thefts of catalytic converters have increased significantly in the Cleveland area in the last 3 years.

If you see anyone crawling under a vehicle in a campus parking lot, the Green Road lot, or the Notre Dame lot, call JCUPD right away at 216-397-1234.

If you have any information about these incidents, please contact JCUPD anytime at 216-397-1234, or the University Heights Police at 216-932-1800, or call 911 if you or someone is in danger.

Security Alert: # 22-02, initiated Monday, December 12, 2022

Information provided by: JCUPD

## **SAFETY AWARENESS INFORMATION**

- To report a crime, suspicious activity or any emergency, please <u>immediately</u> contact JCUPD, 24 hours a day, at 397-1234. If you are unsure about calling, play it safe and call so that potential problems can be addressed and or prevented.
- Escorts are provided anywhere on campus and areas immediately adjacent to campus. Request an escort 24 hours by calling 397-1234.
- > Jog or bike during daylight in areas you are familiar with and stay within the vicinity of the campus.
- Protect your belongings by locking your office/room door every time you leave, don't leave purses, book bags, laptops and other valuables unattended. Keep valuables out of site in your car.
- Don't allow "tailgaters" to enter secured doors behind you, especially in the residence halls.
- Let a responsible person know where you are going, when you will return and how to contact you if you go somewhere alone outside of your normal routine.
- Use the "buddy" system with people you trust to watch out for each other's safety if you go to a party, bar or nightclub. Don't walk alone after dark off campus.
- > Trust your "gut" feelings and avoid persons and situations that make you feel uncomfortable.