

## Tulane enhances Uptown safety with TUPD Station on Broadway

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A new Tulane University Police Department (TUPD) station at 1036 Broadway Street (near Zimple) will allow officers to respond more quickly to incidents and calls within the service area. The station opens July 24. (Photo provided by TUPD)

In a critical step toward enhancing safety for the Uptown campus and neighboring Central Carrollton and Maple Street residents, a new Tulane University Police Department (TUPD) station will soon open at the corner of Broadway and Zimple streets. The operation of the new station represents a crucial measure toward providing a safer environment for the Tulane community and nearby residents in

New Orleans.

"Urban universities like Tulane have a unique role in building strong communities. At Tulane, we are proud to embrace this responsibility, collaborating with our neighbors and the city of New Orleans to create a secure and welcoming environment where students, faculty and residents can thrive," said Tulane University President Michael A. Fitts. "This new station is representative of Tulane's continued investments in the safety, growth and well-being of our community."

The station opens Monday, July 24, and will be fully staffed by Tulane police officers who will be available onsite 24/7 to serve both the Tulane community and neighbors.

The establishment of this latest TUPD location marks the fifth staffed police station across Tulane University's campuses. Existing locations include the Collins C. Diboll Complex, 200 Broadway St., 1201 Tulane Ave., and the Tulane National Primate Research Center in Covington. With over 80 commissioned, state-certified police officers serving across all campuses, this new location significantly enhances the university's ability to protect the Tulane community and strengthens its collaboration with the New Orleans Police Department (NOPD) in patrolling the surrounding areas.

TUPD, along with a fleet of contracted security officers, conducts vehicle, bicycle, and foot patrols on campuses, residence halls and surrounding neighborhoods 24 hours a day and 365 days a year. Tulane's campuses also have personal safety escorts available at all hours, as well as enhanced LED lighting, security cameras, and more than 80 blue-light emergency phones, which immediately connect to public safety personnel.

"This new station will allow our officers to respond more quickly to incidents and calls within our service area. As we always have, TUPD will continue to work in tandem with NOPD to protect our community and those who live and work near us," said Tulane University Chief of Police Kirk Bouyelas.

TUPD collaborates closely with the NOPD to share information, solve and prevent crimes to protect and secure Tulane's campuses and surrounding neighborhoods. A high percentage of calls received and responded to by TUPD come from neighbors and non-Tulane affiliates residing in its Uptown patrol area, which spans Carrollton

Avenue to Jefferson Avenue and St. Charles Avenue to Claiborne Avenue.

The TUPD station is one of several capital projects coming online on Tulane's campuses. New residence halls River and Lake open later this summer, representing the first phase of an expansive residential learning community for undergraduates. Construction continues on both Steven and Jann Paul Hall, the future new home of the School of Science and Engineering, which will open this academic year, and Richardson Memorial Hall, home of the School of Architecture.

In downtown New Orleans, where Tulane currently occupies 20 buildings, \$1 billion in capital projects are underway, including the reimagining of the former Charity Hospital building as a vibrant hub of research, educational and community innovation.

"As the university expands and strengthens our presence in New Orleans, on both the uptown and downtown campuses, we recognize the importance of public safety to Tulanians and the greater community. It is critical that we increase our investment in safety and security in areas where so many of our students, faculty and staff work and live," added Senior Vice President and Chief Operation Officer Patrick Norton.