



Campus Cops Corner

-Public Safety Tips for the PPCC Community-

Public Safety Newsletter

In the last issue, we discussed the "4-D" Program toward dealing with terrorism. You can find that issue, and all past issues of "The Campus Cop Corner" at <http://www.ppcc.edu/about-ppcc/public-safety/campus-cops-corner/> (cut n' paste into your browser). Since that time, we've had yet another incident of terrorism in our country. On May 4, 2010, authorities arrested Faisal Shahzad, 30, for the attempted car bombing in New York's Times Square on May 1, 2010.

The plot was foiled when a vendor first noticed the vehicle because it was "out of place." Closer examination revealed it was smoking. The police were summoned, and bomb disposal teams went to work to render the device harmless.

The vendor said he acted because all New Yorkers had been told, "If you see something; say something."

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The Eight Signs of Terrorism

The Governor's Office of Homeland Security, the Colorado Information Analysis Center (CIAC), and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) have produced a nine minute video which describes the eight signs of terrorism.

1. **Surveillance:** Terrorists usually plan their attacks. Part of those plans would include pictures, video, audio recordings drawings, and notes regarding their target. Do they seem particularly interested in our points of ingress/egress rather than our beautiful mountains? Do they have in inordinate amount of interest in our security plans and measures?
2. **Elicitation:** Terrorists will attempt to elicit information about their target by simply asking people who work and attend there. They might write, e-mail, call or ask personally. They want to information about how we operate and how we protect our facility and our people.
3. **Testing:** Terrorists will leave unattended packages simply to see how long it takes someone to notice. They will also deliberately violate boundaries simply to see how we respond.
4. **Funding:** Terrorists require large amounts of money. They often raise this money through trafficking in narcotics and / or people. In addition to burglary, they've also been known to raise cash through the sale of stolen good. They've additionally funneled money from businesses and charitable organizations. Be wary of transactions involving large amounts of cash or gift cards.
5. **Acquiring Supplies:** Terrorists need weapons, transportation and communication. Watch for people who stockpile fertilizer, used or prepaid cell phones, and those who attempt to steal or stockpile uniforms which they could later use.
6. **Impersonation:** Terrorists have been known to attempt to pose as company employees, law enforcement and mail carriers to gain access or information. When things don't seem right, call us.
7. **Rehearsal:** Practice makes perfect, and terrorists are no different. They will do "dry runs" and perhaps preposition equipment.
8. **Deployment:** This is when they are arranging their assets and are actually on the move.

You can view the video cutting and pasting this link into your browser: <http://thecell.org/wp/8-signs-of-terrorism-video/>

Important Numbers & websites:

- 24-7 Emergency Number: 502-2911
- Emergency Alert Sign Up: www.ppcc.edu/alert
- Crime Stoppers
634-STOP (7867)
- Anonymous Reporting
www.SAFE2TELL.org

1-877-542-7233