

Marshall University

2024 Clery Report Review

The 2024 Clery Report, prepared by the Marshall University Department of Public Safety, offers a detailed overview of crime statistics and safety measures on campus for the years 2021, 2022, and 2023. This annual report is mandated by the federal Clery Act, ensuring transparency and promoting campus safety by disclosing campus crime statistics and security policies.

NOTE FROM THE CHIEF

The Marshall University Police Department

At Marshall University, our concern for the safety and well-being of our students, faculty, and staff is always a top priority. With the support of personnel from other departments, we have hundreds of people involved in our goal of maintaining a safe and secure campus. However, please remember that a truly safe campus can only be achieved through the efforts and cooperation of all students, faculty, and staff who accept responsibility for their security and the security of others. This publication is part of our ongoing effort to ensure this collective endeavor is effective. Please read it carefully and use the information to aid in fostering a safe environment for yourself and all others in the University community.

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Community Policing

Marshall University employs a community policing strategy, emphasizing trust and open communication between law enforcement and community members. This approach involves active partnerships with students, faculty, and staff to identify safety concerns and develop joint solutions, empowering everyone to contribute to campus safety.

Key Crime Statistics (2021-2023)

Main Campus

- **Major Crimes:**
 - Violent Crimes: No reported cases of murder, negligent manslaughter, incest, or statutory rape.
 - Robbery: 1 incident (2021), 2 incidents (2022), 0 incidents (2023).
 - Aggravated Assault: 0 incidents (2021), 7 incidents (2022) occurring on public property, 0 incidents (2023).

- **Property Crimes:**
 - Burglary: Increased from 6 incidents (2021) to 8 incidents (2023) on campus with an additional 3 incidents reported at non-campus properties (2023).
 - Motor Vehicle Theft: 0 incidents (2021), 6 incidents (2022), 2 incidents (2023) on campus; 1 incident (2022) occurring on public property.
 - Larceny: Rose from 39 incidents (2021) to 55 incidents (2023).
 - Arson: 1 incident (2022).

- **Sexual Offenses and Relationship Violence**
 - Rape: 0 cases (2021), 1 case (2022) occurring on public property, 2 cases (2023) on campus; 1 case reported in on-campus housing and 1 case reported on public property (2023).
 - Domestic Violence: 0 cases (2021), 3 cases (2022), and 3 cases (2023) in all locations combined.
 - Stalking: 3 cases (2021), 4 cases in (2023).

- **Alcohol and Drug Violations**
 - Drug Abuse Violations:
 - Arrests: 58 (2021) to 82 (2022), then decreased to 6 (2023) all locations combined.
 - Referrals: Increased from 12 (2021) to 21 (2023).
 - Liquor Law Violations:
 - Arrests: 49 (2021) to 20 (2022), then decreased to 13 (2023). o Referrals: 72 (2021) to 44 (2022), then increased to 66 (2023).

Satellite Campus

- Medical Sciences Campus: Low crime rate, with no major crimes reported from 2021 to 2023. Notable incidents include one rape (2021), one aggravated assault (2022) one motor vehicle theft (2022), and eight total larcenies (combined 2021-2023.)
- South Charleston Campus: Consistently low crime rates with no major crimes reported from 2021 to 2023.
- Mid-Ohio Valley Center (MOVC): Low crime rate with no major crimes reported from 2021 to 2023.
- Marshall has expanded its footprint into Aviation with the Bill Noe Flight School at Yeager International Airport in Charleston, WV and the Aviation Maintenance and Technology Program at Tri-State Airport in Huntington, WV and neither experienced reported crime in 2023.

Sexual Assault, Harassment, and Violence Prevention

Marshall University offers robust educational programs to prevent sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking. Key initiatives include:

- **Bystander Intervention Training:** “[Step In, Speak Up](#)” program.
- **Primary Prevention Programs:** For incoming students and new employees.
- **Reporting and Support:** Confidential handling of reports, support services, and compliance with West Virginia’s legal framework for protective orders.

Conclusion

Marshall University is dedicated to maintaining a safe and secure environment for all students, faculty, and staff. To achieve this, the university emphasizes community involvement and actively encourages participation in safety initiatives. Key efforts include community policing, educational programs, and robust crime reporting systems.

Public safety is supported by 24/7 patrol services from certified law enforcement officers on both the Main and Medical Sciences campuses, as well as partnerships with local law enforcement agencies at satellite campuses. The MUPD hotline, campus emergency phones, and usage of the [anonymous tip line](#) help to facilitate crime reporting across all campus locations.

Additionally, the university maintains the [MU Alert System](#) for emergency notifications and regularly participates in evaluation drills to ensure preparedness. These comprehensive measures reflect Marshall University’s commitment to the [University’s Creed](#).

Highlights for Students

Safety Tips for Students

- Stay aware of your surroundings.
- Use well-lit paths and avoid walking alone at night.
- Keep your belongings secure and never leave them unattended.
- Report suspicious activities to campus security.
- Utilize campus safety resources like escort services.

Note:

On-Campus-Defined as: (1) Any building or property owned or controlled by an institution within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area and used by the institution in direct support of or in a manner related to the institution's educational purposes, including residence halls; and (2) Any building or property that is within or reasonably contiguous to the area identified in paragraph (1), that is owned by the institution but controlled by another person, is frequently used by students and supports institutional purposes (such as a food or retail vendor).

Non-Campus Building Or Property-Defined as: (1) Any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by the institution; or (2) Any building or property owned or controlled by an institution that is used in direct support of or in relation to the institution's educational purposes, is frequently used by students, and is not within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution.

Public Property-Defined as: All public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, which is within the campus or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.