

PRIVATE SECURITY ORGANIZATIONS WORKING
IN AND NEAR THE ABELL COMMUNITY
SIDE A

The Safety Committee of AIA, Co-chaired by Jo Ann Robinson (jooiman64@gmail.com) and Sahar Damghani (sahardamghani@yahoo.com), recently met with Johns Hopkins University's Executive Director of Campus Safety and Security, Christina Presberry, and Patricia Graham, the Director of Operations for Allied Universal, the security company contracted by JHU to provide car and police patrols within the borders of San Martin Drive (West); University Parkway (North); Abell Avenue (East) and 27th Street (South). Directors Presberry and Graham provided updated information on their patrols which we have summarized below. We have also obtained updates from Tony Brown, Director, Safety Services, Charles Village Community Benefits District (CVCBD), regarding their current contract with Wolf Security. The information summarized in this document is based primarily on these updates. While most of the details can be found on the websites of the respective organizations, we believe it is useful to have one document which captures the basic points about all of them. The remainder of Side A, which you are reading now, introduces each organization and elaborates on information on the chart which appears on Side B.

Please remember that primary responsibility for public safety rests with the Baltimore City Police Department. The BPD's Northern District force of 120 officers, commanded by Major Richard Gibson (Richard.Gibson@baltimorepolice.org), is responsible for the Abell Community and 51 other neighborhoods. The Northern District Community Council (NDCC), chaired by Christopher Forrest (cforrest100@yahoo.com), meets every other month as a forum for residents and a channel by which the Major conveys information to the community. Residents may request that an item be placed on the NDCC agenda by contacting Mr. Forrest or the AIA Safety Committee. Northern District usually sends a Community Police Officer to join AIA's Neighborhood Walks on the last Tuesday of every month.

Charles Village Benefits District (charlesvillage.org)

Residents of the Charles Village Benefits District pay a surtax for sanitation and safety services beyond those supplied by the City. For deployment of safety personnel – directed by retired police officer Tony Brown (tony@charlesvillage.org) – the CVCBD is divided into 3 zones. Surtax funds pay for security patrols in the zone that includes Abell. CVCBD has recently contracted with Wolfe Security.

Tony Brown maintains regular phone contact with Northern District Police and Johns Hopkins Security. CVCBD recently purchased radios which connect with Johns Hopkins and Northern District. Tony Brown is part of the weekly Intel briefings held by Major Gibson. CVCBD sends email crime alerts to neighborhood associations as circumstances dictate and posts weekly summaries of crime in the Benefits District. Once a month, Tony convenes the Safety Advisory Council. It brings together neighborhood associations, Northern District Police, Johns Hopkins Security and other private and public agencies to review crime patterns, support the Court Watch program, and share concerns and ideas. CVCBD also supports the Abell Neighborhood Walkers program.

Johns Hopkins University Safety Services; AlliedUniversal Security (CampusSecurity@jhu.edu; 410 516-4600)

The primary mission of these security forces is to keep university students and employees safe. As they pursue this goal their presence may also be of help to “non-affiliate” residents. Safety Services may extend beyond their official patrol areas to better address crime patterns where Hopkins students and employees live. For example, patrols may be seen on Abell Avenue and Barclay Streets. The Director of Safety Services, Christina Presberry, is also open to working with “non-affiliates” on issues such as improved lighting, surveillance cameras, and crime prevention education.

Connections between AIA and Safety Organizations

The AIA sends representatives to the Northern District Community Council and the CVCBD Safety Advisory Council. If you are interested in attending these meetings contact the AIA Safety Committee. As noted above, CVCBD and Northern District take part in AIA's Neighborhood Walks.

The AIA Executive Committee thanks the following individuals for their expertise, time and patience: from CVCBD – David Hill, Tony Brown; from JHU – Christina Presberry, Jennifer Mielke; from AlliedUniversal – Patricia Graham; from Northern District BPD – Major Richard Gibson; Officer William O'Donnell; from Northern District Community Council – William Miller; from 14th District City Council – Hon. Mary Pat Clarke.

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ORGANIZATION	PATROL AREAS & TIMES	OBJECTIVES	POLICY RE: NON-UNIVERSITY RESIDENTS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Safety Services Charles Village Benefits District Tony Brown Director Tony@Charlesvillage.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wolf Security Foot & car patrols w/yellow flashing lights. Within Abell boundaries Wolf currently provides one unarmed officer patrolling by day, 5 days a week and one unarmed officer patrolling at night, 5 nights a week. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deter, observe, report, detain - Daily communication w/JHU & BPD - Weekly Intel meetings - Update, educate residents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encourage dialog w/residents via <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Neighborhood Walks * Safety Advisory Council * Weekly crime reports * Alerts as needed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wolf Security under Contract w/CVCBD - Patrols in Abell are unarmed; some patrols in the southern part of CVCBD are armed.
JHU Campus Safety & Security, Christina Presberry Exec. Dir. Cpresbe1@jhu.edu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cars w/green flashing lights - E. University Pkwy, 33rd St., Guilford & Abell Aves. - Hours***** - Connected to 24-hr. Dispatch Cent. w/campus camera monitors and ongoing communication w/ Baltimore Police Dispatch Center 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Make security forces visible - Deterrent effect - Safety awareness training for students & university personnel, including adopting LiveSafe App from App Store or Google. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Residents who have a negative Interaction with a security officer should report it to Christina Presberry. - Within limits of patrol area & duties, may provide escort for a resident who requests it - Campus S & S welcomes dialogue with residents & seeks to be responsive within limits of available resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Commissioned by State of MD - Arrest powers on <i>University property only</i> - University property includes campuses across the State. - Unarmed - http://security.jhu.edu/ campus security for further info on LiveSafe App
AlliedUniversal Security Patricia Graham Director of Operations Patricia.graham@aus.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Foot, bike, car patrols - Fluorescent apparel - Foot patrols 6 p.m. - 2 a.m. on Guilford Ave., Calvert St. and 33rd near UM Hospital - 24/7 patrols in remaining area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Observe, report, deter crime - act as eyes & ears for JHU Campus Security - Heighten visibility of security forces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Within limits of patrol area & duties, may provide escort for a resident who requests it 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Under contract with JHU Security - Unarmed - No arrest powers - May not detain or pursue suspects - Up to 30 officers and command staff on duty at any given time
Off-Duty Baltimore City Police contracted by JHU Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Patrol of business areas on N. Charles & St. Paul Sts. - 9 a.m. - 6 a.m. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Observe, report, deter crime in the business district 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Armed - Arrest powers