



Annual Security and Fire Safety Reports
2026

Crime Statistics 2023-2025



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Introduction

Carroll College is required by law to compile and disclose information about campus safety policies and procedures as well as to provide data concerning certain criminal offenses in order to be in compliance with Title IV for the Higher Education Act of 1965 as amended. The Annual Security and Fire Safety report is prepared by Jay Nelson, the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety, and published in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, which was signed into law in 1990. This report must include statements about campus law enforcement policies, campus security education and prevention programs, alcohol and drug policies, sexual assault education and the means for reporting and procedures for handling reports of sexual assault.

The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act in 1998 further mandates that institutions of higher education publish an annual report which is made available to both current and prospective students and employees of the occurrence of specific crimes on the campus. In addition, the institution must report the number of arrests for liquor law violations, drug use/abuse violations and weapon violations.

The Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act of 2013 requires colleges and universities to increase transparency about the scope of sexual violence on campus, enhance victim rights, support standards in institutional conduct proceedings and implement campus-wide prevention and awareness programs. Prevention and awareness programs will address sexual violence, sexual harassment, stalking, dating violence, and domestic violence. Campuses must designate a Title IX Coordinator who would receive complaints of possible violations of sexual harassment and sexual violence, investigate complaints, impose interim remediation, and regularly assess the effectiveness of the institution's efforts to eliminate campus sexual violence.

The Stop Campus Hazing Act, enacted on December 23, 2024, amends the Clery Act to prioritize the prevention of and transparency about hazing incidents at colleges and universities. Now included in this report is the campus policy that addresses how to report incidents of hazing, the process used to investigate them, and information on applicable local laws as well as prevention strategies intended to stop hazing before it occurs.

The Annual Security Report

1. Crime Statistics

Carroll College is required to report crime statistics each year in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act and the Campus SaVE Act. This year's report reflects crime and fire statistics that were reported in the calendar years 2023, 2024, and 2025. Crime statistics for the report are compiled by the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety in consultation with the Office of the Dean of Students, other college officials, and the Helena Police Department.

For the crime statistics report, Carroll College uses the following Geographic definitions:

"On-Campus Other Property" is defined as "(i) Any building or property owned or controlled by an institution within the same reasonably contiguous geographical area of the institution and used by the institution in direct support of, or in a manner related to, the institution's education purposes, and (ii) any building or property within the same reasonably contiguous geographical area of the institution 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)." This category excluding residential halls/facilities)

"On-Campus-Student Residential Facilities" is defined as "Any student housing facility that is owned or controlled by the institution, or is located on property that is owned or controlled by the institution, and is within the reasonably contiguous geographic area that makes up the campus. This definition includes the following types of housing:

- Undergraduate, graduate and married student housing.
- Single family houses that are used for student housing.
- Summer school student housing.
- Buildings that are used for student housing but also have faculty, staff or any other individuals living there. (Do not include faculty-only housing in this category).
- Buildings that are owned by a third party that has a written agreement with your institution to provide student housing. (It does not matter whether the rent is paid to the third party by the institution on behalf of the students or paid directly by the students.)
- Housing for officially and not officially recognized student groups, including fraternity or sorority houses, that are owned or controlled by your institution or are located on property that your institution owns or controls.

"Non-Campus Buildings or Property" is defined as "(i) Any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization officially recognized by the institution; (ii) or any building or property (other than a branch campus) owned or controlled by an institution of higher education 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" is defined as "all public property that is within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution, such as a sidewalk, a street, other thoroughfare, or parking facility, and is adjacent to a facility owned or controlled by the institution if the facility is used by the institution in direct support of, or in a similar manner related to the institution's educational purpose."

Carroll College has four campus residence halls (Our Lady of Guadalupe Hall "Guad", opened 1961; St. Charles Hall, opened 1910; Borromeo Hall "Borro", opened 1957; and Trinity Hall, opened 2003), four campus apartments (St. Catherine of Siena, St. Matthew, St. Alfred the Great and St. John Vianney). The first two campus apartments were opened in May 2014 and the second two campus apartments were opened in August 2017.

"Criminal offenses" are classified using the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook:

- "Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter" is defined as "the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another."
- "Negligent Manslaughter" is defined as "the killing of another person through gross negligence."
- "Sexual Assault" is an offense that meets the definition of rape, fondling, incest, or statutory rape as used in the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program. Per the National Incident-Based Reporting System User Manual from the FBI (UCR) Program. A sex offense is "any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent."
 - "Consent" is defined as "informed, freely given, and mutually understood agreement to sexual activity of any kind.
 - "Rape" is defined as "the penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim. This offense includes the rape of both males and females.
 - "Fondling" is defined as "the touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity." (Because there is no penetration in fondling, this offense will not convert to the SRS as Rape.)
 - "Incest" is defined as "sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law."
 - "Statutory Rape" is defined as "having sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

- “Robbery” is defined as “the taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear.”
- “Aggravated Assault” is defined as “an unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault usually is accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm. It is not necessary that injury results from an aggravated assault when a gun, knife, or other weapon is used which could or probably would result in a serious potential injury if the crime were successfully completed.”
- “Burglary” is defined as “the unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft. For reporting purposes this definition includes: unlawful entry with intent to commit a felony, breaking and entering with intent to commit a larceny; safecracking; and all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned.”
- “Motor Vehicle Theft” is defined as “the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. (Classify as motor vehicle theft all cases where automobiles are taken by persons not having lawful access, even though the vehicles are later abandoned—including joy riding).”
- “Arson” is defined as “the willful or malicious burning or attempting to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, or personal property of another.”
- “Dating Violence” is defined as “violence committed by a person (a) who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and (b) where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors: (i) The length of the relationship; (ii) The type of relationship; (iii) The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.”
- “Domestic Violence” is defined as “a felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabiting with or has cohabited with the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of Montana, or any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person’s acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the state of Montana.”
- “Stalking” is defined as “engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to (a) fear for his or her safety or the safety of others; or (b) suffer substantial emotional distress.”
- “Weapon Law Violation” is defined as “the violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, purchase, transportation, possession, concealment, or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices, or other deadly weapons.”
- “Drug Abuse Violations” are defined as “violations of state and local laws relating to the unlawful possession, sale, use, growing, manufacturing, and making of certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices used in their preparation or use.”
- “Liquor Law Violations” are defined as “the violation of state or local laws or ordinance prohibiting: the manufacture, sale, purchase, transporting, furnishing, possession, or use of alcoholic beverages.”

Categories of Prejudice

“Hate Crimes” are defined as a criminal offense committed against a person or property which is motivated, in whole or in part, by the offender’s bias. Bias is a preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on their race, religion, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, ethnicity, national origin, or disability.”

For Clery Act reporting purposes, “Hate Crimes” include any offense in the following list that is motivated by bias:

- Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter
- Sexual Assault Offenses: Rape, Fondling, Statutory Rape, or Incest
- Robbery
- Aggravated Assault
- Burglary
- Motor Vehicle Theft
- Arson
- VAWA Offenses: Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, or Stalking
- “Larceny/Theft” is defined as “the unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another.”
- “Destruction/Damage/Vandalism to Property” is defined as “to willfully or maliciously destroy, injure, disfigure, or deface any public or private property, real or personal, without the consent of the owner or person having custody or control by cutting, tearing, breaking, marking, painting, drawing, covering with filth, or any other such means as may be specified by local law.”
- “Intimidation” is defined as “to unlawfully place another person in reasonable fear of bodily harm through the use of threatening words and/or other conduct, but without displaying a weapon or subjecting the victim to actual physical attack.”
- “Simple Assault” is defined as “an unlawful attack by one person upon another where neither the offender displays a weapon, nor the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration or loss of consciousness.”

Hate Crime Bias

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| • Race | • Sexual Orientation |
| • Gender | • Gender Identity |
| • Religion | • Ethnicity |
| • National Origin | • Disability |

The numbers provided in the crime statistics for Carroll College reflect incidents reported to the college's Campus Security Authorities (CSA's) such as; the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety, Title IX Coordinator, Dean of Students, Director of Residential Life and Housing, Securitas Officers and the Helena Police Department that occur within our Clery geography. The statistics reflect incidents that occurred On-Campus, On-Campus Student Residential Facilities, Non-Campus Buildings & Property, and Public Property. *Carroll College does not have any Non-Campus Buildings or Property located off-campus that is officially recognized by the institution and that is used in direct support of a student organization. Carroll College is not able to monitor the criminal activity of students off-campus.*

An aerial photograph of the University of Colorado Boulder campus. The image shows several large, historic stone buildings with red-tiled roofs and white-trimmed windows. A prominent building with a gabled roof and arched windows is in the foreground. The campus is surrounded by green lawns and trees. In the background, there are rolling hills and mountains under a clear blue sky with some light clouds.



1.1 CARROLL COLLEGE CRIME STATISTICS: CLERY DATA

The following crime statistics are for selected crimes having been reported to appropriate and corresponding campus security authorities or police agency authorities based on our Clery geography. The statistics reported for the sub-categories on liquor laws, drug laws, and weapons offenses represented the number of people arrested or referred to campus judicial authorities for respective violations, not the number of offenses documented.

Clery “Crime” Statistics Table

Criminal Offenses	Year	Campus - Clery Geography				
		On Campus Property			Non-Campus Building or Property	Public Property
		Student Residential Facilities	Other	On Campus Total		
Murder (Non-negligent Manslaughter)	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	2025	0	0	0	0	1
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0	0	0
Incest	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	1	0	1	0	0
	2023	1	0	1	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	2025	1	0	1	0	0
	2024	3	0	3	0	0
	2023	1	0	1	0	0
Arson	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0	0	0

Clery "Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)" Statistics Table

VAWA Offenses	Year	Campus - Clery Geography				
		On Campus Property			Non-Campus Building or Property	Public Property
		Student Residential Facilities	Other	On Campus Total		
Domestic Violence	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	2025	2	0	0	0	0
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0	0	0

Clery "Arrest" Statistics Table

Arrests	Year	Campus - Clery Geography				
		On Campus Property			Non-Campus Building or Property	Public Property
		Student Residential Facilities	Other	On Campus Total		
Weapons: Carrying, Possessing, etc	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	1	1	0	0
Drug Law Violations	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	1	0	1	0	0
	2023	0	0	0	0	0

Clery "Disciplinary Actions" Statistics Table

Disciplinary Actions	Year	Campus - Clery Geography				
		On Campus Property			Non-Campus Building or Property	Public Property
		Student Residential Facilities	Other	On Campus Total		
Weapons: Carrying, Possessing, etc	2025	0	0	0	0	0
	2024	0	0	0	0	0
	2023	0	1	1	0	0
Drug Law Violations	2025	1	0	1	0	0
	2024	1	0	1	0	0
	2023	2	0	2	0	0
Liquor Law Violations	2025	12	0	12	0	0
	2024	5	0	5	0	0
	2023	33	0	33	0	0
Hazing	2025	0	0	0	0	0

Unfounded Crimes

YEAR	DESCRIPTION
2025	No Unfounded Crimes
2024	No Unfounded Crimes
2023	No Unfounded Crimes

Hate Crimes by Category and Bias

YEAR	DESCRIPTION
2025	(0) ZERO
2024	(0) ZERO
2023	(0) ZERO

2. Campus Law Enforcement

Carroll College utilizes the services of the Helena Police Department to respond to safety or security concerns, crimes, suspected criminal behavior or suspicious activity at the college. Carroll College does not have sworn or commissioned law enforcement officers. Students and employees can contact Helena Police—and other emergency services such as Helena Fire Department—by calling 911. Non-emergencies can also be reported to Helena Police by calling (406) 457-8866. Carroll College cooperates with local law enforcement regarding the investigation of alleged criminal offenses.

The college contracts with Securitas Security Services USA, INC, to provide unarmed security patrols on campus. Securitas provides a patrol officer on campus 24 hours a day Monday through Friday and 16 hours of coverage on the weekends from 3 p.m.–7 a.m. during the academic year. Summer patrol hours are from 3 p.m.–7 a.m. seven days per week. Students and employees can contact the Securitas officer by calling (406) 461-7611 during scheduled hours. Securitas officers are responsible for patrolling all campus buildings, parking lots, and campus grounds. Securitas officers respond to incidents and document the nature, time, and location of each incident, as well as the names, addresses, and phone numbers of participants and witnesses. Securitas officers do not have arrest authority. Securitas officers are expected to have a cooperative working relationship with state and local law enforcement agencies including, but not limited to, Helena Police Department, Lewis and Clark County Sheriff’s Office, Montana Highway Patrol and the Missouri River Drug Task Force. Securitas officers will defer to local law enforcement to handle arrests.

For large campus events, the college contracts with either Helena Police Department or the Lewis and Clark County Sheriff’s Office to provide law enforcement and security purposes. For home football game days, the college contracts with law enforcement to provide security for Nelson Stadium and the tailgate area adjacent to the PE Center. Campus lectures, special programs, graduation ceremonies, and dances have also necessitated the use of the Helena Police Department, Lewis and Clark County Sheriff’s Office, or Securitas Officers to support the safety of event participants.

3. Campus Security Authorities

“Campus Security Authorities” is a Clery Act-specific term that encompasses four groups of individuals and organizations associated with an institution.

- A campus police department or a campus security department of an institution.
- Any individual or individuals who have responsibility for campus security but who do not constitute a campus police department or a campus security department.
- Any individual or organization specified in an institution’s statement of campus security policy as an individual or organization to which students and employees should report criminal offenses.
- Any official of an institution who has significant responsibilities for student and campus activities, including, but not limited to, student housing, student discipline, and campus judicial proceedings.

“Official” is defined as any person who has the authority and the duty to take action or respond to particular issues on behalf of the institution.

Carroll College has designated staff members in the following positions as “Campus Security Authorities.” Crimes reported to anyone in any of these positions are included in the college’s annual disclosure of crime statistics. It is important to note that any crime that is reported to one of these Campus Security Authorities is counted for the purpose of these crime statistics, regardless of the final disposition or outcome of the case.

These Campus Security Authorities are also expected to ensure that timely warning reports are issued to Carroll College employees and students:

Title IX Coordinator; Karla Weltz, O’Connell Hall 214, (406) 447-5501, kweltz@carroll.edu

Assoc. VP of Student Engagement / Dean of Students & Title IX Coordinator: Annette Walstad, Borromeo Hall 127, (406) 447-5434, awalstad@carroll.edu

Director of Campus Security and Public Safety; Jay Nelson, Borromeo Hall 100, (406) 447-4404, jnelson6@carroll.edu

Asst. Director of Campus Security and Public Safety; Jenna Potratz, Cube 121, (406) 447-4412, jpotratz@carroll.edu

Director of Facilities; Dan Byrd, Facilities Office, (406) 447-4449, dbyrd@carroll.edu

Assoc. Dean of Students / Director of Residential Life and Housing, Zack Eckerdt, Borromeo Hall 110, (406) 447-5509 zeckerdt@carroll.edu

Vice President for Student Engagement and Mission Integration: Kathleen O’Leary, Borromeo Hall 131, (406) 447-5466, koleary01@carroll.edu

Vice President for Finance, Administration & Facilities: Jim Carney, O’Connell Hall 247, (406) 447-5432, jcarney@carroll.edu

Area Coordinator; Brooke Blair, Borromeo Hall 103, (406) 447-4424, bblair@carroll.edu

Area Coordinator Jen Anderson; Borromeo Hall 105, (406) 447-4419, janderson5@carroll.edu

Asst. Director of Campus Ministry; Deidre Casey, Chapel 010, (406) 447-4338, dlcasey@carroll.edu

Asst. Director of Campus Ministry; Christopher Yakawich, Chapel 011, (406) 447-4333, cyakawich@carroll.edu

Director of Athletics; Charles Gross, P.E. Center 170, (406) 447-5480, cgross@carroll.edu

Head Athletic Trainer, Kristina Ward, P.E. Center 200C, kward@carroll.edu

Director of Student Activities, Patrick Harris, Borromeo Hall 130, (406) 447-4380, pharris@carroll.edu

Director of Campus Recreation, Bradly Maddock, Hunthausen Activity Center 105, (406) 447-5453, bmaddock@carroll.edu

Campus Safety Securitas Officers, Campus Center, (406) 461-7611, securitas@carroll.edu

On-Call Residential Life & Housing (406) 459-0540

Resident Assistants

Campus Peer Ministers/Focus Missionaries

Athletic Coaches & Trainers (including part-time/full-time employees)

4. Campus Facility Security

The Facilities Department maintains the buildings and grounds at Carroll College with attention to the safety and security of the campus. The Director of Facilities and the Custodial Supervisor are responsible for responding to issues from building users pertaining to security, safety, and liability issues. Two important exterior safety issues to inspect are maintaining appropriate exterior lighting of campus walkways and roads as well as maintaining reasonable landscaping that does not endanger or risk the safety of pedestrians. Fire safety equipment in each campus building is tested on an annual basis by Facilities staff. Residential Life & Housing staff conduct fire drills in each residence hall each semester and the college’s Emergency Response Team ensures that all academic and administrative buildings conduct fire drills each semester.

The college maintains and supports two means of locking and securing interior and exterior doors on campus. The four campus residence halls and four apartment buildings maintain a card key access system for interior and exterior doors. Students are able to use their keycards and a personalized pin number to access their housing. Academic, administrative and the college-owned student houses used by students in the Anthrozoology program are maintained by a physical key system. Keys are issued by the employment supervisor for employee offices. Card keys are issued by Residential Life & Housing for residence halls and campus apartments while the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety will provide employees with card key access for exterior and interior doors on the employee’s college ID card.

Carroll College strives to provide a safe and healthy learning and living environment for students, staff, faculty and guests. College employees and students submit work orders to the Facilities Department when facility concerns are identified. The college maintains a capital improvement project list of proposed facility and grounds enhancements which is updated annually. Additional lighting and cameras are two of enhancements which are occurring on an annual basis.

While instances of criminal activity are rare, the college is not immune to crime and cannot assure or guarantee a crime-free living or working environment. Therefore, Carroll College promotes a proactive approach to safety. The members of the community are expected to actively participate in making the campus safe and to act in a safety-conscious manner.

5. Crime Reporting Procedures

5.1 Prompt Reporting

Carroll College students and employees are strongly encouraged to accurately and promptly report crimes that occur on campus by calling the Helena Police Department immediately. They are then encouraged to follow up by contacting the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety (406) 447-4404 or Campus Security (406) 461-7611 or in their absence contact the on-call Residential Life & Housing Senior Staff (406) 459-0540 who are available by phone 24 hours per day, seven days a week, throughout the year. In the event the victim is unable to make a report, a college official will protect the scene, contact the Helena Police Department and/or other emergency services agency and then document the incident.

Crime is a reality at Carroll College, and preventing crime is everyone's responsibility on campus. Unreported crime is a criminal's greatest ally. Suspicion of a crime does not require proof. Make a difference, call. Only concerned citizens can prevent crime.

Helena Police Department

• **Emergency: 911**
- **Non-Emergent: (406) 457-8866**

Securitas

- **Non-Emergent: (406) 461-7611**

On-Call Residential Life & Housing Senior Staff

- **Non-Emergent: (406) 459-0540**

If you are a victim or witness of a crime in progress: Report the incident immediately to the Helena Police Department by dialing 911. If you can, and it is safe to do so, gather pertinent information, such as; sex, race, hair color, length and texture, body size, clothing description, scars, and other noticeable characteristics, modes of travel, type of vehicle, color and license plate information. Please contact the On-Duty Securitas Officer and On-Call Residential Life & Housing Senior Staff as soon thereafter.

Suspicious persons/circumstances/activities: If you see anyone acting suspiciously call the on-duty Securitas Officer. If you are unable to reach campus security contact the Helena Police Department by dialing the non-emergent number. Do not approach the individual yourself. Report the type of suspicious behavior and the location. Relay pertinent information concerning the involved person including age, sex, dress, vehicle, and direction of travel. You are always welcome to contact the On-Call Residential Life & Housing Senior Staff as soon thereafter.

Bomb Threats: If you receive a bomb threat, it is important to obtain as much information as possible from the caller. Things to ask are: (1) location of bomb, (2) time of explosion, and (3) type of bomb. Make mental notes about the caller's voice, and background noises which you may hear. Call 911 immediately. Do not panic. The Helena Police Department will search the area, notify properly trained personnel, and notify emergency services. The Helena Police Department, in conjunction with the building supervisor and administration, will determine if evacuation is necessary.

What to Report: When you call the Helena Police Department to report an incident, please provide the following information:

- Your name
- Location of incident
- Type of incident
- Description of suspect(s), vehicle(s) or other pertinent information
- Return telephone number

If significant time has passed between when the crime occurred and when you decide to report: You can still report the incident to the Helena Police Department, Securitas, the On-Call Residential Life & Housing Senior Staff, and/or one of the designated Campus Security Authorities, but not limited to; the Title IX Coordinator, Director of Campus Security and Public Safety, Student Conduct Administrator, Dean of Students, your Area Coordinators or Resident Hall Assistants, or the Vice President for Finance and Administration.

What happens when you report an incident to Securitas Officers or the Residential Life & Housing staff: An electronic incident report is generated documenting the incident/crime reported or confronted on campus. Incident reports are automatically sent to the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety, Student Conduct Administrator and Residential Life & Housing staff who handle crime reporting and/or student conduct matters. Incident reports are also automatically sent to the Director of Facilities to be aware of facility damage or vandalism, and to the Vice President for Finance and Administration or the Dean of Students—who are responsible for risk management for the college.

Reports of incidents involving possible Title IX violations: Are referred to the Title IX Coordinator by all staff, faculty, and anybody specifically identified as a Campus Security Authority. Both students and employees are informed by the Title IX Coordinator of campus and community resources, including but not limited to the support of the Victim Advocate resources offered by the Friendship Center, Helena's violence against women shelter, and procedures for reporting the alleged crime to local law enforcement. In addition, the Title IX Coordinator will address supportive measures available to victims, such as changes to campus housing, parking, class schedules and no contact/communication orders.

5.2 Anonymous Reporting of Crimes and Sexual Misconduct

Carroll College accepts anonymous and third-party reports of conduct alleged to violate the Equal Opportunity Policy or to report crimes for the purposes of compiling statistics of reported crimes. The individual making the report (Reporter) is encouraged to provide as much detailed information as possible to allow the appropriate College designee (Title IX Coordinator, Student Conduct Administrator, etc.) to investigate and respond as appropriate, including the date, time, location, type of incident, and as many of the details as possible of the incident. The Carroll designee may be limited in the ability to investigate an anonymous report unless sufficient information is furnished to enable the Designee to conduct a meaningful and fair investigation.

The online report form is designed specifically for reporting alleged Title IX violations and only shared, through secure access to the report, with the Title IX Coordinator.

A bystander—someone who sees, hears, or knows about a situation— can notice actions or circumstances early enough to prevent an incident from becoming an emergency. The bystander may witness prejudicial remarks and/or behaviors; violence to others; or individuals negatively impacting their personal health or safety. Examples of behaviors that could be prevented or reported include sexual violence, hate/bias incidents, cyberbullying, hazing, high-risk drinking, gambling, depression or physical violence. Bystanders who are unsure of whom to contact— daytime or nighttime—should contact the on-call Residential Life & Housing Senior Staff at (406) 459-0540 or dial 911 if it is an emergency.

5.3 Exemptions for Pastoral, Professional Counselors, & Friendship Center Advocates

Although they may have a significant responsibility for student and campus activities, there are three types of individuals who are not considered Campus Security Authorities under the Clery Act:

- **Pastoral Counselor:** A person who is associated with a religious order or denomination, is recognized by that religious order or denomination as someone who provides confidential counseling, and is functioning within the scope of that recognition as a pastoral counselor
- **Professional Counselor:** A person whose official responsibilities include providing mental health counseling to members of the institution's community and who is functioning within the scope of the counselor's license or certification.
 - This definition applies even to professional counselors who are not employees of the institution, but are under contract to provide counseling at the institution.
- **The Friendship Center Victim Advocate Representative:** A person who provides support and assistance to survivors of sexual or violent crimes.

The pastoral, professional counselors, & Friendship Center Advocate exemption is intended to ensure that these individuals can provide appropriate counseling services without an obligation to report crimes they may learn about. This exemption is intended to protect the counselor-client relationship. However, even the legally recognized privileges acknowledge some exemptions, and there may be situations in which counselors are in fact under a legal obligation to report a crime.

5.4 Response to Reported Crime

In order to ensure the safety and security of students and employees, the college may report to local law enforcement agency(s) crimes that occur on campus, in college-owned facilities, or at a college-sponsored event that occurs off-campus in compliance with amendments to the Higher Education Act. These crimes—as defined by the Federal Bureau of Investigation Uniform Crime Report System—include:

1. **Murder/Non-negligent Manslaughter**—The willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another. The local law enforcement agency will be notified immediately by a college representative.
2. **Negligent Manslaughter**—The killing of another person through gross negligence. The local law enforcement agency will be notified immediately by a college representative.
3. **Sexual Assault**—Any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent. The college will not automatically report sexual assaults to the local law enforcement agency unless the victim is under the age of 18. However, the college will provide the survivor with their rights and options on how to report the sexual assault to law enforcement as well as a victim advocate.
 - **Rape**—the penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim. This offense includes the rape of both males and females.
 - **Fondling**—The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.
 - **Incest**—Sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.
 - **Statutory Rape**—Having sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent. The local law enforcement agency will be notified immediately by a college representative.
4. **Robbery**—The taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control from a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear. The local law enforcement agency will be notified immediately by a college representative.
5. **Aggravated Assault**—An unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. Simple assaults are excluded. The local law enforcement agency will be notified immediately by a college representative.
6. **Burglary**—The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft. Attempted forcible entry is included. The local law enforcement agency will be notified immediately by a college representative.
7. **Motor Vehicle Theft**—The theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. The local law enforcement agency will be notified immediately by a college representative.
8. **Arson**—Any willful or malicious burning or attempting to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc. The local law enforcement agency will be notified immediately by a college representative.
9. **Violence Against Women Act Offense**—The college will not automatically report sexual assaults to the local law enforcement agency unless the victim is under the age of 18. However, the college will provide the survivor with their rights and options on how to report the sexual assault to law enforcement as well as a victim advocate.
 - “Dating Violence” is defined as “violence committed by a person (a) who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and (b) where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the

following factors: (i) The length of the relationship; (ii) The type of relationship; (iii) The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.”

- “Domestic Violence” is defined as “a felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabiting with or has cohabited with the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of Montana, or any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person’s acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the state of Montana.”
 - “Stalking” is defined as “engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to (a) fear for his or her safety or the safety of others; or (b) suffer substantial emotional distress.”
10. Drug Law Violations—State and/or local offenses relating to the unlawful possession, sale, growing, and manufacturing of narcotic drugs. The local law enforcement agency may be notified by a college representative.
 11. Illegal Gun Possessions—All violations of regulations or statutes controlling the carrying, using, possessing, furnishing, and manufacturing of deadly weapons or silencers. Attempts are included. The local law enforcement agency may be notified by a college representative.
 12. Hate/Bias Crimes—A hate crime, also known as a bias crime, is a criminal offense committed against a person, property or society which is motivated, in whole or in part, by the offender’s bias against a person’s origin, age, creed, ethnicity/national origin, race, color, gender, physical or mental disability, religion, or sexual orientation. The local law enforcement agency will be notified immediately by a college representative.

Students, employees, and guests of the campus are strongly encouraged to report crimes to the Helena Police Department, Campus Security, the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety, or to a member of the Student Life Staff. Parents must be notified if the student is under the age of 18. With your permission, the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety, or designee, can file a report with law enforcement without revealing your identity. Considerations for seeking medical attention, psychological services, or any other services the college can provide will be discussed with the reporting party.

In keeping with Carroll College policies, a student in any of the above-mentioned crimes, and of any other violations of the college’s rules and regulations, has the right to pursue recourse through the college’s disciplinary process. This procedure may be used in addition to any civil or criminal procedures stemming from the incident.

6. Campus Daily Crime and Fire Log

Carroll College maintains a combined daily crime and fire log in the Campus Security and Public Safety Office that records all reported crimes and fires that occur within the geographical boundaries of the campus. Crimes and fires will be recorded by their nature, date and time reported, date and time occurred, general location, and disposition of the complaint. The college will:

- Make an entry or an addition to an entry to the crime and fire log within two business days of the receipt of the information.
- Make the crime and fire log for the most recent 60-day period open to public inspection during normal business hours, and
- Make any portion of the crime and fire log older than 60-days available within two business days of a request for public inspection.

If you suspect an active fire or witness evidence of a fire, please call the security office 406-461-7611 or for emergencies call 911. Non-Emergencies call (406) 457-8866.

Carroll College is required to annually disclose statistical data on all fires that occur in on-campus housing facilities. To report a non-emergency fire which has already been extinguished in on-campus housing contact the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety at (406) 447-4404.

Arson is defined as any willful or malicious burning or attempting to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc. Arson is a criminal offense and will be treated as such. Any acts or attempted acts of arson will result in disciplinary sanctions, up to and including suspension or expulsion from the college as well as criminal charges. Make a difference, please call and report arson. Concerned citizens can (and should) report fires and/or arson.

*The combined daily crime and fire log is available online at <https://www.carroll.edu/student-life/campus-safety/incident-logs-reports>

7. Public Safety Advisories, Timely Warnings, and Emergency Notifications

Carroll College uses three types of notification processes to warn the campus community in the event of an emergency or public safety risk. The three types of notifications are Public Safety Advisories, Timely Warnings, and Emergency Notifications.

- **Public Safety Advisories** are issued to reduce the risk of being victimized by telephone/email scams, fraud, etc.
- **Timely Warnings** are issued in the event a crime that represents a serious or continuing threat to the campus community has occurred.
- **Emergency Notifications** are issued during emergencies or critical incidents that pose an immediate threat to the health and safety of the campus community.

Anyone with information about a situation that may require a Public Safety Advisory, Timely Warning, or Emergency Notification should report the circumstances to Securitas by calling (406) 461-7611 or calling the 24- hour On-Call Residence Life (406) 459-0540. They may also report in person during business hours Monday – Friday to the following Carroll College Officials:

- Title IX Coordinator: Karla Wetz, O'Connell Hall 214, (406) 447-5501, kweltz@carroll.edu
- Assoc. VP of Student Engagement / Dean of Students & Title IX Coordinator: Annette Walstad, Borromeo Hall 127, (406) 447-5434, awalstad@carroll.edu
- Director of Campus Security and Public Safety; Jay Nelson, Borromeo Hall 100, (406) 447-4404, jnelson6@carroll.edu
- Asst. Director of Campus Security and Public Safety; Jenna Potratz, Cube, (406)447-4412, jpotratz@carroll.edu
- Assoc. Dean of Students/Director of Residential Life and Housing, Zack Eckerdt, Borromeo Hall 127, (406) 447-5509 zeckerdt@carroll.edu
- Vice President for Finance, Administration & Facilities: Jim Carney, O'Connell Hall 204, (406) 447-5432, jcarney@carroll.edu

7.1 Public Safety Advisory

Public Safety Advisories are used to notify students, faculty, and staff of situations that do not pose an immediate threat to life safety, but may require awareness to reduce the risk of being victimized by telephone/email scams, fraud, etc. These notifications are strictly sent via email.

7.2 Timely Warnings Notification

The Director of Campus Security and Public Safety is responsible for developing and disseminating Timely Warnings to the members of the Carroll College community. Once an incident that may require a Timely Warning notification has been reported to one of the above listed Campus Security Authorities, the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety will be contacted, and in consultation with other campus administrators (including but not limited to: Dean of Students, Legal Counsel, Director of the Office of Institutional Equity & Title IX Coordinator, and the Emergency Management Coordinator) will determine whether the criteria for issuing a Timely Warning has been met, and if so, A Timely Warning will be issued. The decision will be made on a case-by-case basis.

Timely Warnings will be issued when a Clery Reportable Crime has been reported, must have occurred within the Carroll College Geography (on-campus, public property, and non-campus property), and there is a serious or ongoing threat to the campus community.

Timely warnings will be distributed to the entire campus community as soon as pertinent information is available, without unnecessary delay, in a manner that withholds the names of victims as confidential, and with the goal of aiding in the prevention of similar occurrences. Timely warnings will typically include information such as a brief statement of the incident, physical description of any suspect(s), appropriate safety tips, and other relevant, available information. Timely warning notices are typically written by the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety (or designee) in consultation with the Director of Public Relation/Associate Director of Marketing and Communications (or designee) as time permits.

Timely warnings will generally be distributed through the use of Regroup, the college's emergency messaging system. However, timely warnings may also be sent via email, posted to the Carroll College Student Life webpage, or posted to the Carroll College's Emergency Response webpage. If warranted, Carroll College may also communicate a timely warning via paper postings in buildings.

The Director of Campus Security and Public Safety may notify the Lewis and Clark County Attorney's Office of the intent to distribute a timely warning notice to ensure the information released does not compromise law enforcement efforts as permitted by the Clery Act.

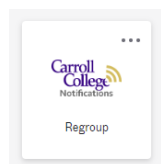
Carroll College may learn about an incident that may require a timely warning from a number of sources, including individuals involved in the incident, witnesses, other campus security authorities or by law enforcement officers as defined by the Clery Act.

The institution is not required to issue a Timely Warning with respect to crimes reported to a pastoral or professional counselor.

7.3 Emergency Notification

Carroll College is committed to protecting the lives, safety, and welfare of its campus and community members. The campus maintains an emergency operation plan that outlines the responsibilities of campus departments during emergencies. This plan outlines incident priorities, campus organizations and specific responsibilities of particular departments or positions. When an emergency occurs on campus, Carroll College strives to provide students, faculty, and staff with the critical information needed to protect themselves. To allow Carroll College to provide this information, community members must ensure they are registered, and their Emergency Notification contact information is correct.

Carroll College Emergency Notification System is a Wireless Emergency Notification System (WENS) powered by ReGroup Notification. The system is used to transmit brief, urgent messages to a large segment of the campus population as quickly as possible. Face-to-face communication may also be used to communicate emergency information. Carroll College will immediately notify the campus community upon the confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or staff occurring on campus.



All students, faculty, and staff members directly affiliated with the College are encouraged to enroll in and familiarize themselves with the intent and purpose of the Emergency Notification System.

To register, select the Regroup App in OKTA. Set up your account and ensure that you update it anytime your information changes.

The President or Director of Campus Security and Public Safety, or designee, in conjunction with other college administrators, local first responders, Public Health Officials and/or the National Weather Service will confirm the emergency or dangerous situation that poses an immediate threat to the health or safety will determine the content of the messages in consultation with the Director of Public Relations/Associate Director of Marketing and Communications for distribution to the entire community.

Carroll College will, without delay, and taking into account the safety of the community, determine the content of the notification and initiate the notification system, unless issuing a notification will, in the professional judgment of responsible authorities, compromise efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

The types of incidents that may cause an immediate threat to the community could include, but are not limited to, emergencies such as:

- Active shooter/armed intruders, riots
- Acts of terrorism, and bomb threats
- Hostage/barricade situations
- Suspicious packages with confirmation of a device
- Structural damage to College owned or controlled facility
- Biological threat (anthrax, etc.)
- Severe Weather or Natural Disasters (tornadoes, earthquakes, extreme conditions)
- Nearby chemical or hazardous material spills, gas leaks, etc.
- Communicable disease outbreak
- Structure Fires/Explosions

Follow-up information will be distributed using some or all of the identified communication systems (except fire alarm) and would be developed by the Incident Response Group (IRG) and would be assigned to the appropriate staff members to distribute via the systems above.

Carroll College officials shall use their best, reasonable judgment in all other situations to determine whether an Emergency Notification is warranted. Situations that may create business, academic or research interruptions, but do not pose a health or safety risk, may also generate an Emergency Notification. Carroll College will facilitate notifications about such situations, in coordination of involved departments, as appropriate.

- Temporary building closures
- Power outages
- Network outages

Carroll College will, without delay, and considering the safety of the community, determine the content of the Emergency Notification and initiate the Emergency Notification process, unless the Emergency Notification will, in the professional judgment of responsible authorities:

- Compromise efforts to assist the victim or victims
- Compromise efforts to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency, such as compromising the efforts of first responders

This section was established with the following assumptions:

- Utilization of multiple notification methods is needed, as no single notification method will reach everyone, everywhere, every time.
- One hundred percent delivery of notification to each member of the campus population cannot be guaranteed.
- Other information sources outside the institution's control may generate erroneous or conflicting information (i.e. affiliated and unaffiliated social media sites, word of mouth).
- Regular testing of notification systems is required to ensure proper functionality and operator skill.
- Notification systems must account for communication impairments.
- Several notifications are considered passive notifications requiring an action by recipients. Some recipients will not take this action and, therefore, not all recipients will receive notifications during the desired timeframe.
- It is the responsibility of campus members that are registered for the notification system to maintain updated contact information.
- Several notification methods rely on the functionality of third-party vendors that are outside of the institution's control (i.e. cellphone service providers, electricity).

The local news media may be utilized to disseminate emergency information to members of the larger community, including neighbors, parents and other interested parties. If there is an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or employees occurring on campus, Carroll College will follow its emergency notification procedures. Per Clery requirements, an institution that follows its emergency notification procedures is not required to issue a timely warning based on the same circumstances; however, Carroll College will provide adequate follow-up information to the community as needed.

Anyone with information about a situation that may require the issuance of a timely warning or emergency notification should report the circumstances to the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety by calling 406-447-4404, or in person (100 Borromeo Hall - 1275 N. Park Avenue, Helena, MT), or by contacting Securitas at 406-461-7611 or the On-call Residence Life by calling 406-459-0540.

8. Emergency Response and Evacuation

Serious incidents are likely to occur on the Carroll College campus. Our goal at Carroll College is to handle such events in a responsive and responsible manner.

8.1 Emergency Protocol Guide

Carroll College has produced an Emergency Protocol Guide, a red, spiral-bound, plastic cover guidebook with tabbed pages to flip through for information on campus emergencies. The guide provides information on 10 emergency situations: evacuation procedures, earthquake, fire/arson, security lockdown, firearms discharge/shooter on campus, bomb threat, rape or sexual assault, physical assault, suicide attempt and health emergency. The Emergency Protocol Guide also provides office and mobile phone information for key employees and information on signing up for the college's emergency notification system, Regroup. Emergency protocol guides are located on a hook on the back of the door of campus offices, student residences and classrooms.

8.2 Emergency Response

Decisions regarding whether a significant emergency exists, the determination of who to notify, the content of the notification, and whether to initiate the emergency messaging notification system will be made by the appropriate senior-level administrator, as follows:

- The Vice President of Student Engagement in consultation with the Associate VP of Student Engagement /Dean of Students, Director of Campus Security and Public Safety, and the Director of Public Relations, will evaluate matters related to campus events and activities with students and employees.
- The Vice President for Academic Affairs, in consultation with the Associate VP of Student Engagement /Dean of Students and the Registrar, will evaluate matters related to academics with students and employees.
- The President of the College and/or Vice President for Finance and Administration in conjunction with the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety will evaluate matters related to facilities, campus evacuations and catastrophic circumstances (e.g. earthquakes, campus closing).

The use of technology to communicate emergency response and evacuation procedures—through Regroup, the campus emergency messaging system, will be coordinated with the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety and the staff of Campus Computing and Information Technology.

8.3 Emergency Mass Communication Strategy

In the event there is an emergency on campus, Carroll College will utilize the Regroup emergency messaging system, to notify employees and students via email, cell phone or text messaging. The college will conduct an annual test of Regroup each calendar year. The tests will be documented, listing the date, time of exercise, and whether the test was announced or unannounced. Employees and students are encouraged to verify their contact information on Regroup for completeness, accuracy and notification preference(s) through the following process:

1. Login at <https://carroll.app.regroup.com/login>
2. Use the same username and password you use to access your other Carroll College accounts.
3. Go to Preferences (upper right-hand corner of the screen).
4. Click on the Email/Phone tab.
5. From this screen, you can:
 - Add additional email addresses and phone numbers.
 - Designate a different primary email address.
 - Select text and/or voice messaging for phone numbers.

Be sure to log out when you have modified your preferences to your satisfaction. Please note: The process described above changes preferences in the Regroup system only. This will not change the information Carroll College has on record for you in its administrative software system. If you have a different cell phone or address than what the college has on record, you must fill out a change of phone/address form in the Registrar's Office for students or in the Human Resources Office for employees.

8.4 Emergency Notification

Upon the confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or employees occurring on campus, Carroll College will alert students and employees immediately. Emergency or security alerts will be posted by email, on the college's Student Life webpage, on the college's Emergency Response webpage, and/or through the use of Regroup, the college's emergency messaging system, to emergency contact phone numbers.

The institution will, without delay, and taking into account the safety of the community, determine the content of the notification and initiate the notification system, unless the notification will, in the professional judgment of responsible authorities, compromise efforts to assist victims or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency. Immediate contact will be made with college employees closest to the incident area to obtain information from eyewitnesses. Local law enforcement will be notified. College officials will cooperate with local law enforcement to determine the validity and severity of the emergency and provide appropriate updates to the college community.

8.5 Emergency Evacuation—Building

The four steps of evacuation are:

1. Evacuate
2. Assemble
3. Account
4. Report Ability to Assist Others

The policy of Carroll College is that all occupants will evacuate the building immediately in the event of activation of the fire alarm system or other means of notification. For other disasters, emergencies, and incidents, individuals on campus may be instructed to take alternative personal protection measures as defined by guidelines for the type of event.

Individuals will evacuate using the closest available marked exit. When an employee, student, or guest is away from their assigned work area or residence, they will evacuate the building using the same route as the employees in that location. Do not return to your work area or residence.

Important factors to remember are:

- If anything suspicious is noted, report this information immediately to an Emergency Response Team member for the building which you are evacuating;

- Do not touch or handle anything suspicious;
- Walk as fast as possible, but do not run;
- Do not return to your work area or residence to retrieve personal items;
- Help those who need assistance; and
- If the closest exit is unavailable, use the next nearest exit. All persons will proceed out of the building as directed by Emergency Response Team members. Emergency Response Team members are those employees wearing orange vests.

When exiting, individuals will stay to the inside of the stairwell if possible. Employees, students and guests must remain attentive to all traffic including emergency response vehicle activity when traveling to the assembly area. If the designated assembly area is unavailable, please use the Campus Center Main Lounge as the primary assembly area. The secondary assembly area will be located in the PE Center Lobby. All employees, students and guests are required to remain at the assembly area location until instructed otherwise.

8.6 Emergency Evacuation—Campus

Information on the campus evacuation will be communicated to employees and students by email, phone message, posting on the college's website, or monitors around campus. When the decision to evacuate is made, all persons are to immediately vacate the site in question and relocate to another part of the campus or to a designated off-campus site as directed.

8.7 Evacuation Checklist

In the case of a campus evacuation, use the following checklist to ensure that you are protected and prepared.

1. Take clothing (3 changes), toiletries, necessary medications, important papers and valuables (money, credit cards, jewelry, etc.). Supplies such as sleeping bags, a portable radio, a flashlight and batteries may also be taken.
2. Keep phone lines open for emergency messages.
3. Assist other members of the campus community without transportation. If you do not have your own transportation, make plans to ride with someone who has transportation.
4. Proceed directly to the designated primary Evacuation Assembly Site in Helena at the Civic Center located on the corner of Benton Avenue and Neill Avenue—three blocks south of Founders Corner (the southwest corner of campus). If the Civic Center is not available as an assembly site, the secondary Evacuation Assembly Site in Helena is the Exhibit Hall at the Lewis and Clark County Fairgrounds—two blocks north of campus to Custer Avenue and six blocks west of campus on Custer Avenue.
5. Drive safely. Stay tuned to your Emergency Alert System radio station for further information.
6. Carroll College will post information on the college's website, if available, regarding when the campus is safe for employees, students and guests to return. Emergency messages will also be sent out via voice mail message and email using the college's emergency messaging system, Regroup.

8.8 Campus Emergency Plan

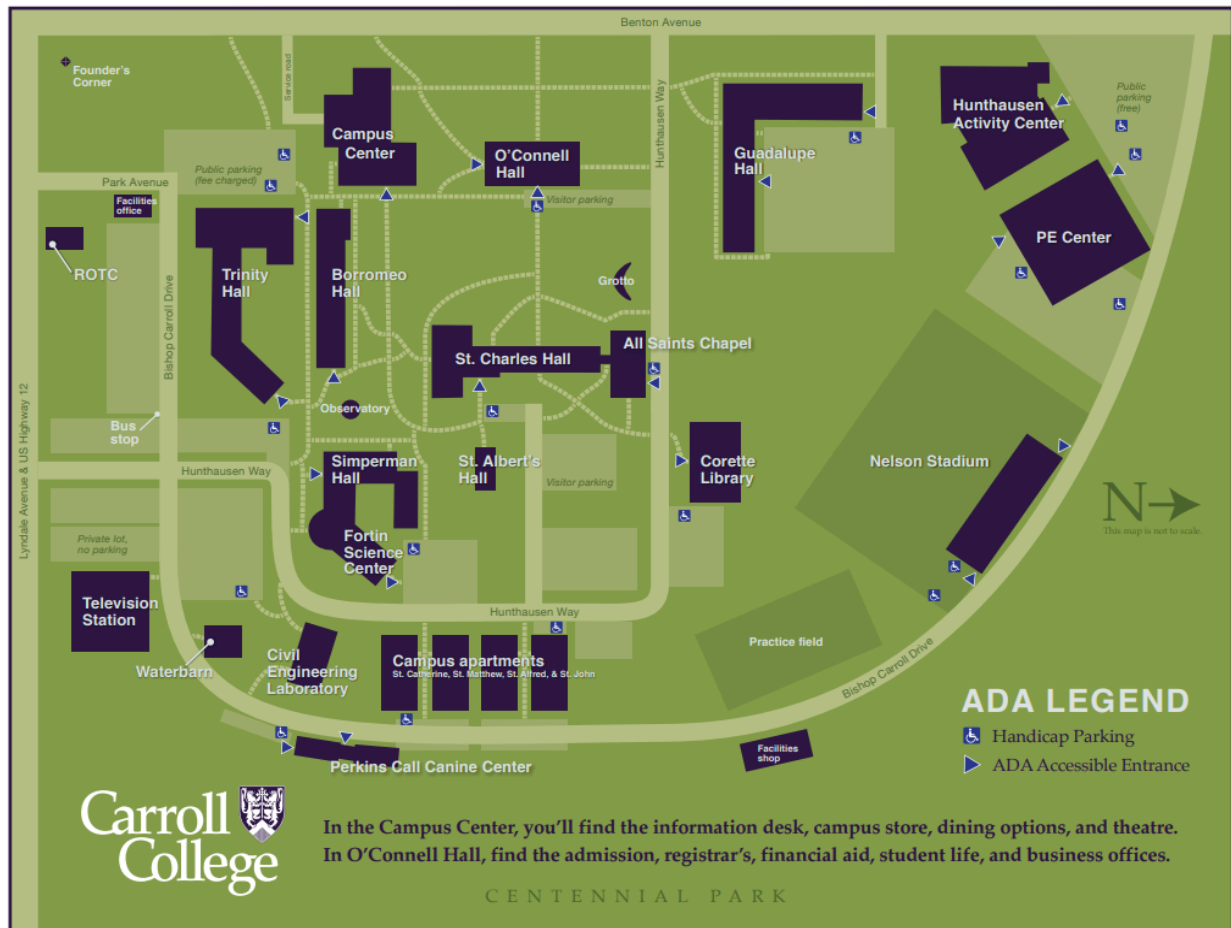
Carroll College has developed a Campus Emergency Plan which addresses how employees should respond to 23 incidents: alarms, bomb threats/bomb explosions, earthquake, evacuation—building, evacuation—campus, evacuation—disabled individuals, fire safety, firearms discharge/active shooter, hazardous materials, heart attack—use of AED, Narcan Nasal Spray (Naloxone), hostage situation, lockdown—building, lockdown—campus, medical or health emergency, natural gas, physical assault, power outage, rape or sexual assault, shelter-in-place, suicide attempt, suspicious envelope or package, suspicious individual, and severe weather conditions.

To support employee readiness to execute the Campus Emergency Plan, the college will provide trainings on the following:

- Active Shooter
- Fire and Earthquake Drills and Building Evacuations
- Narcan Nasal Spray (Naloxone)
- First Aid, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Automated External Defibrillator (AED)

The Campus Emergency Plan also identifies Building Action Teams for each academic, administrative and residential building on campus. Each Building Action Team will consist of a Building Coordinator, Floor Monitors for each floor in the building, and Disabled Persons Buddies to check common areas (e.g. bathrooms, break-rooms) for individuals who have not evacuated the floor. Building Action Team members will be responsible for assisting with the evacuation or shelter-in-place of all employees and students in the building. Each building has also been assigned a designated assembly site to move to if their building has been evacuated. The assembly site will allow the Building Action Team to account for all building occupants to alert emergency responders.

8.9 Assembly Areas



BUILDING	ASSEMBLY AREA
All Saints Chapel	Corette Library, Main Floor
Perkins Call Canine Center	Trinity Hall, Main Floor
Borromeo Hall	Campus Center, Upper Level
Campus Apartments	Fortin Science Center, Scola Lounge
Campus Center	Trinity Hall, Main Lounge
Campus Houses	Campus Center, Upper Level
Civil Engineering	Fortin Science Center, Scola Lounge
Corette Library	Guadalupe Hall, Main Lounge
Facilities House	Trinity Hall, Main Lounge
Fortin Science Center	Campus Center, Upper Level
Guadalupe Hall	P.E. Center, Lobby

BUILDING	ASSEMBLY AREA
Hunthausen Activity Center	P.E. Center, Lobby
Nelson Stadium	P.E. Center, Lobby
O'Connell Hall	Campus Center, Upper Level
P.E. Center	Nelson Stadium, Concessions Area
ROTC House	Trinity Hall, Lounge
Simperman Hall	Campus Center, Upper Level
St. Albert Hall	Corrette Library, Main Floor
St. Charles Hall	Campus Center, Upper Level
Trinity Hall	Campus Center, Upper Level
Waterbarn	Fortin Science Center, Scola Lounge

9. Security Awareness and Crime Prevention Programs

To support security awareness and crime prevention with the objective of encouraging the campus community to look out for themselves and others, Carroll College has undertaken the following initiatives:

9.1 New Student and Employee Orientation

New Student Orientation: The Director of Campus Security and Public Safety meets with all new students during New Student Orientation (bi-annually) to inform them of how the college interacts with Securitas and Helena Police in reporting incidents, crimes, and campus emergencies. In addition, the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety meets with new students and with new parents to discuss the college's emergency plan and emergency notification system.

New Employee Orientation: The Director of Campus Security and Public Safety meets with all new employees during New Employee Orientation (bi-weekly as needed) to inform them of how the college interacts with Securitas and Helena Police in reporting incidents, crimes, and campus emergencies. In addition, the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety discusses the college's emergency plan and emergency notification system.

9.2 Online Training

Saints Step Up

Carroll College partners with Vector Solutions to provide sexual assault prevention, hazing awareness and prevention, and alcohol and drug misuse prevention training for college students. Sexual Assault Prevention engages students in fostering healthy relationships and preparing them to recognize and respond to sexual assault and harassment when it occurs. Hazing Awareness and Prevention provides students with the essential communication and leadership skills that help prevent hazing while building the meaningful connections and community belonging that college should offer. Alcohol and Drug Misuse Prevention Training empowers students to create a healthy campus environment through student-centered alcohol and drug misuse prevention programming that reduces risk, teaches bystander intervention and supports non-drinkers. These courses are proven to positively impact student attitudes, behaviors, and beliefs. Starting in Fall 2021, Carroll College required all incoming and continuing students to complete this important training yearly.

Mosaic/Edu Risk

In addition, Carroll College requires all employees to complete the following online prevention courses annually:

- **Prevent Discrimination and Harassment:** Faculty & Staff is a 45 minute, online program educating employees on distinguishing different types of discrimination that can occur in the workplace, describing who is and who isn't protected from discrimination under federal law, recognizing common workplace harassment situations, including retaliation and identifying when it's appropriate to report instances of workplace harassment.
- **Prevent Sexual Violence Together** is a 45 minute, online program educating employees on identifying the different types of sexual and intimate partner violence, recognizing the warning signs and troubling behaviors common to situations of sexual and intimate partner violence, as well as applying techniques for responding to student victims of sexual violence.
- **Protecting Children: Identifying and Reporting Sexual Misconduct** is a 30 minute online program that will help learners recognize warning signs manifested by abused children, describe specific characteristics of predators, identify danger areas where abuse can take place, list rules of conduct for working with children, apply proper boundaries in educator/student relationships, and detail specific steps to report abuse situations.
- **Title IX and You: Protecting Your Campus** is a 20 minute online program providing a guide to combating sex-based discrimination at the institution. It examines the federal Title IX law, and what it means for faculty and staff at the institution as well as the obligations under the law. This includes how one must respond to and report disclosures of sex-based harassment.

9.3 In-Person Education and Awareness Programs

Active Shooter Training

Faculty, staff, and students are encouraged to attend a two-block of instruction related to Active Shooter Response Training. This training will provide attendees with signs and indicators to look for in mentally or emotionally disturbed individuals. Additionally, the attendees will learn and understand the Run/Hide (Lock)/Fight responses to an active shooter incident on campus.

Athletes As Leaders

Female student athletes are encouraged to be leaders in changing social norms at school and beyond to a culture of safety and respect. In the 2025-2026 academic year the Women's Basketball program completed "Athletes As Leaders" program which included topics on Challenging Harmful Stereotypes, Ending Rumor Spreading and Shaming, Promoting Consent, Fostering Healthy Relationships and Building Community. The program will be provided again in the 2026-2027 academic year.

Bicycle Registration

Students, staff and faculty are encouraged to register their bicycles in the Campus Security Office (Borromeo Hall 100) in order to deter thefts and to help Helena Police recover and return lost or stolen property.

Bystander Training

Teaching students to intervene and/or report information on situations which may be illegal, unusual, uncomfortable or unwelcome—centers around the theme: "See something, hear something, know something, do something." Students are empowered to address behaviors in the

community and help keep the community safer by increasing the accountability level through annual Saints Step Up modules, orientation workshops and Mind Tap presentations.

Coaching Boys Into Men

Coaching Boys Into Men (CBIM) is an evidence-based prevention program that trains and motivates coaches to teach their young male athletes healthy relationship skills and that violence never equals strength. In the 2025-2026 academic year the Men's Basketball team and the Football team continued to implement the program throughout the year.

Culture of Respect

This grant funds student led work which focuses on healthy relationship messaging, social norms, and bystander interventions.

Healthy Colleges Montana Grant

This grant funds student led work on chronic disease education. Education focuses on mental health, alcohol use, tobacco use and stress. Students present social media campaigns or tabling events each month.

Mind Tap

Carroll College's Wellness Center offers educational and awareness workshops weekly and based on that particular month's topic. All students, staff, and faculty members are encouraged to attend these one-hour educational sessions in an effort to build resiliency. Some of these topics include; Suicide Awareness, Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention, Drunk or Drug Driving Awareness, Healthy Boundaries for Healthy Relationships, Conflict Resolution, Gender Equality, and Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention.

National College Health Assessment III Survey

The ACHA-National College Health Assessment (NCHA) is a nationally recognized research survey that assists colleges in collecting precise data about its students' health habits, behaviors, and perceptions. Topics include: Healthcare Utilization, Violence/Abuse Relations and Personal Safety, Tobacco/Alcohol/Other Drug use, Sexual Behavior, and Mental Health and Wellbeing. The survey results provide direction on offerings for student education and programming. This survey is conducted on a rotating basis with other surveys.

New Student Orientation Presentations

Presentations are provided to new students and parents (bi-annually). Topics include: Your Well Being at Carroll College and Your Student's Success at Carroll College with presentations from the Dean of Students, Campus Ministry, Residential Life and Housing, Academic Advising, Wellness Center and Campus Safety and Security.

Residential Life & Housing Programming

Resident Assistants (RAs) are required to offer educational programming opportunities to residents in campus housing. Security awareness and crime prevention topics are offered as a program to enhance student awareness.

Safe Ride Home Programs

Students who find themselves stranded at a bar or off-campus residence without a designated driver or in an unsafe situation can arrange for a safe ride home using an application based program such as UBER or LYFT for public transportation back to campus for a small fee. The Carroll student government (ASCC) reimburses students for the cost of the ride.

Sexual and Violent Offender Registry

The Montana's Sexual or Violent Offender Registration Act is designed to protect the public from sexual or violent offenders by requiring offenders to register with local law enforcement agencies in the jurisdiction where they reside. Information about these offenders is then made available to the public. The Registry provides an up-to-date listing of sexual and violent offenders who are required to register their whereabouts. The registry can be found on the Montana Attorney General's office website (<http://app.doj.mt.gov/apps/svow/>).

Timely Warnings

Carroll College releases timely warnings, or security alerts to advise students of safety and security concerns. These alerts address unsafe situations or behaviors reported to the college by Helena Police, Missouri River Drug Task Force, Securitas, or college staff. Examples of situations where the college would issue a timely warning would include notifying students and employees of vandalism to vehicles parked in a certain location, identifying a person of interest in a crime or threat of a crime, or confirming that a "no trespass" warning was issued by law enforcement at the request of the college due to the perceived threat to the safety of individuals or property.

Victim Advocate Services

Carroll College provides victim advocate services for students and employees who are seeking assistance as a victim of sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking or relationship violence. Victim advocacy services are provided by staff from The Friendship Center: 1430 Sanders Street, Helena; officem@thefriendshipcenter.org; 24-Hour Crisis Line (406) 442-6800. Communication with the victim advocate is confidential and protected by Montana state law. Services include assisting a victim with obtaining an order of protection and understanding campus and community resources available. The Friendship Center holds regular office hours on campus during the academic year (August-May).

9.4 Student Handbook

Carroll College publishes an annual copy of the [Carroll College Student Handbook](#) which is distributed to all employees and students electronically. A hard copy of the student handbook is available upon request in the Saints Success Center in room 102 in Borromeo Hall. The student handbook outlines the Carroll Code of Student Conduct, college policies, vehicle use and parking regulations, campus housing policies, and links to the Annual Security and Fire Safety Report and the [Consumer Information Disclosure Notice](#).

10. Alcohol and Drug Policy (Student)

Carroll College recognizes that individual choices regarding alcohol and drugs can affect the health, safety, academic success, and well-being of individuals and the College community.

The College promotes responsible and legal alcohol use and maintains a campus environment free from the use, possession, manufacture, distribution, and sale of illegal drugs.

The College's Alcohol and Drug Policy is grounded in an ethic of care and is intended to:

- a. Promote the health, safety, and well-being of students and the campus community;
- b. Encourage responsible and lawful decision-making regarding alcohol;
- c. Prevent the unlawful possession, use, and distribution of alcohol and drugs; and
- d. Help students understand how alcohol and drug use can affect their educational experience and the experiences of others.

The Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act (20 U.S.C. § 1145g; 34 CFR Part 86) requires institutions of higher education to establish policies addressing the unlawful possession, use, and distribution of alcohol and illicit drugs by students and employees.

Carroll College Student Alcohol & Drug Policy

11. Alcohol and Drug Abuse Education and Resources

To support drug and alcohol abuse education, Carroll College supports the following initiatives:

11.1 Educational Programs

Saints Step Up / Vector Solutions:AlcoholEDU

Alcohol and Drug Misuse Prevention Training for College Students, empowers students to create a healthy campus environment through student-centered alcohol and drug misuse prevention programming that reduces risk, teaches bystander intervention and supports non-drinkers. These courses are proven to positively impact student attitudes, behaviors, and beliefs. Training is required yearly throughout the students' enrollment at the college. Courses change with each year and also include topics such as cannabis and prescriptions.

Healthy Colleges Montana Grant

This grant funds student-led work on chronic disease education. Education focuses on mental health, alcohol use, tobacco use and stress. Students present social media campaigns or tabling events each month. Counseling Services supports this social norming campaign to dispel myths about alcohol and tobacco use as well as sexual activity which are supported by research conducted by Carroll College and national studies.

National College Health Assessment III Survey

The ACHA-National College Health Assessment (NCHA) is a nationally recognized research survey that assists colleges in collecting precise data about its students' health habits, behaviors, and perceptions. Topics include: Healthcare Utilization, Violence/Abuse Relations and Personal Safety, Tobacco/Alcohol/Other Drug use, Sexual Behavior, and Mental Health and Wellbeing. The survey results provide direction on offerings for student education and programming. This survey is conducted on a rotating basis with other surveys.

Octoberfest Education Week

Octoberfest is a weeklong event that occurs annually at the end of October, coinciding with both Halloween and Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week. The event is focused on education related to safe planning and consumption of alcohol, providing alternatives to alcohol-centric social activities, safe hosting practices, active bystander training, and connections to community resources.

Party Hosting Panel Discussion

Each semester, the Dean of Students in conjunction with student government (ASCC) sponsors House Party 101 for the campus featuring local law enforcement and college officials to promote responsible social hosting. The presentation highlights safety, and the ramifications of violating the law and the Carroll student conduct code.

Residential Life & Housing Programming

Resident Assistants (RAs) are required to offer educational programming opportunities to residents in campus housing. Drug and alcohol abuse topics can be offered as a program to enhance student awareness.

11.2 Alcohol and Drug Resources

Safe Ride Home Programs

Students who find themselves stranded at a bar or off-campus residence without a designated driver or in an unsafe situation, can arrange for a safe ride home using an application based programs such as UBER or LYFT for public transportation back to campus for a small fee. The Carroll student government (ASCC) reimburses students for the cost of the ride.

Boyd Andrew Community Services— Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse

Students who present behaviors or concerns about alcohol and other drug abuse are referred to a local alcohol and drug treatment center for assessment. Boyd Andrew also offers out-patient treatment programs to support individuals addressing alcohol and other drug abuse. Contact Information (406) 443-2343.

Helena Indian Alliance — Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse

Students who present behaviors or concerns about alcohol and other drug abuse are referred to a local alcohol and drug treatment center for assessment. Helena Indian Alliance also offers out-patient treatment programs to support individuals addressing alcohol and other drug abuse. Contact Information (406) 449-5796.

DUI Task Force

The Director of Campus Security and Public Safety participates with local law enforcement and community outreach agencies in a grant-funded Lewis and Clark County DUI Task Force. The task force looks at local trends in violations, creates public service announcements, promotes community outreach initiatives, supports education of servers from bars and restaurants, and discusses policy enforcement.

Local Law Enforcement

Communication occurs between local law enforcement and the college regarding off-campus party houses and student plans to host parties. The Helena Police Department and Lewis and Clark County Sheriff's Office are willing to meet to discuss common concerns and the college cooperates with investigations of students involved with alcohol and/or other drug abuse.

Missouri River Drug Task Force

Members of the interagency task force have provided education programs for student housing staff, contacted the college for assistance regarding suspects and informed the college of pending arrests for drug activity so the college can hold the student(s) accountable.

11.3 Alcohol Ordinances and Statutes

Several city ordinances and state statutes are linked below. The list is representative only and does not include every criminal statute or ordinance related to alcohol or drug use. Further information about criminal statutes and ordinances can be found on the following websites: [City Code of Helena](#)

City of Helena Ordinances

5-1-1: POSSESSION OF INTOXICATING BEVERAGES:

It shall be unlawful for any person to have in his possession on the streets, alleys, parks or on any other public premises in this City any beer, wine, liquor, or other intoxicating beverage in any container on which the cap, top, seal, cork, or other closing device has been removed or opened or in any other container from which such a beverage can be drunk directly. Provided, however, that this section shall not apply to any individual who possesses alcohol or intoxicating beverages pursuant to a permit issued by the City Manager, or his/her designee, in accordance with provisions of this Code. (Ord. 3309, 5-8-2023)

5-14-2 to 5-14-5: SOCIAL HOST ORDINANCE

5-14-2: DEFINITIONS:

As used in this chapter, the following definitions apply:

ALCOHOL: An intoxicating agent in alcoholic beverages, ethyl alcohol, also called ethanol, or the hydrated oxide of ethyl.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE: A compound produced and sold for human consumption as a drink that contains more than 0.5 percent of alcohol by volume including beer, liquor, spirits, wine, and table wine.

GATHERING: A party or event, where a group of three (3) or more persons have assembled or are assembling for a social occasion or social activity.

PERSON: Any individual over eighteen (18) years old, firm, association, corporation or any organization of any kind.

PREMISES: Any home, yard, farm, field, land, apartment, condominium, hotel or motel room, or other dwelling unit, hall or meeting room, park, or any other place of assembly, public or private, whether occupied on a temporary or permanent basis, whether occupied as a dwelling or specifically for a party or other social function, and whether owned, leased, or rented or any other legal or possessory interest.

SOCIAL HOST: Any person who knows or reasonably should know that an underage person is in possession of or is consuming an alcoholic beverage at a gathering on the person's premises.

UNDERAGE PERSON: Any person less than twenty one (21) years of age. (Ord. 3099, 7-7-2008)

5-14-3: DUTY TO NOTIFY LAW ENFORCEMENT:

A social host shall immediately and by the quickest means of communication give notice to the Helena police department that an underage person is in possession of or is consuming an alcoholic beverage at a gathering on the host's premises. (Ord. 3115, 11-2-2009)

5-14-4: EXCEPTIONS:

Section 5-14-3 of this chapter does not apply to the provision of an alcoholic beverage in a nonintoxicating quantity to an underage person by the underage person's parent or legal guardian, physician, or dentist for medicinal purposes, a licensed pharmacist upon the prescription of a physician, or an ordained minister or priest in connection with a religious observance. (Ord. 3099, 7-7-2008)

5-14-5: PENALTIES:

A violation of this chapter is a misdemeanor. Any person who fails to comply with the requirements of this chapter may, upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each violation and, in addition, may be ordered to pay all costs and expenses involved with the case. (Ord. 3115, 11-2-2009)

Montana Code Annotated [Montana Code Annotated Ch. 16](#) [Montana Code Annotated Ch. 45](#)

16-6-301: Transfer, Sale, and Possession of

Alcohol Beverages—When unlawful

- (1) Except as provided by this code, a person or the person's agents or employees may not:
 - a) Expose or keep an alcoholic beverage for sale;
 - b) Directly or indirectly or upon any pretense or upon any device, sell or offer to sell an alcoholic beverage; or
 - c) In consideration of the purchase or transfer of any property or for any other consideration or at the time of the transfer of any property, give to any other person an alcoholic beverage.

16-6-304: Providing Alcoholic Beverages to Intoxicating Person Prohibited

- (1) No store manager, retail licensee, or any employee of a store manager or retail licensee may sell any alcoholic beverage or permit any alcoholic beverage to be sold to any person apparently under the influence of an alcoholic beverage.
- (2) No person may give an alcoholic beverage to a person apparently under the influence of alcohol.

45-5-624. Possession of or unlawful attempt to purchase intoxicating substance -- interference with sentence or court order.

- (1) A person under 21 years of age commits the offense of possession of an intoxicating substance if the person knowingly consumes or has in the person's possession an intoxicating substance. A person may not be arrested for or charged with the offense solely because the person was at a place where other persons were possessing or consuming alcoholic beverages. A person does not commit the offense if the person consumes or gains possession of an alcoholic beverage because it was lawfully supplied to the person under **16-6-305** or when in the course of employment it is necessary to possess alcoholic beverages.
- (3) A person 18 years of age or older who is convicted of the offense of possession of an intoxicating substance:
 - a) for a first offense:
 - (i) shall be fined an amount not less than \$100 or more than \$300;
 - (ii) shall be ordered to perform 20 hours of community service; and
 - (iii) shall be ordered to complete and pay all costs of participation in a community-based substance abuse information course that meets the requirements of subsection (8);
 - b) for a second offense:
 - (i) shall be fined an amount not less than \$200 or more than \$600;
 - (ii) shall be ordered to perform 40 hours of community service; and
 - (iii) shall be ordered to complete and pay for an alcohol information course at an alcohol treatment program that meets the requirements of subsection (8), which may, in the court's discretion and on recommendation of a licensed addiction counselor, include alcohol or drug treatment, or both;
 - c) for a third or subsequent offense:
 - (i) shall be fined an amount not less than \$300 or more than \$900;
 - (ii) shall be ordered to perform 60 hours of community service;
 - (iii) shall be ordered to complete and pay for an alcohol information course at an alcohol treatment program that meets the requirements of subsection (8), which may, in the sentencing court's discretion and on recommendation of a licensed addiction counselor, include alcohol or drug treatment, or both; and
 - (iv) in the discretion of the court, shall be imprisoned in the county jail for a term not to exceed 6 months.
- 7)
 - a) A person convicted of a second or subsequent offense of possession of an intoxicating substance shall be ordered to complete a chemical dependency assessment.
 - b) The assessment must be completed at a treatment program that meets the requirements of subsection (8) and must be conducted by a licensed addiction counselor. The person may attend a program of the person's choice as long as a licensed addiction counselor provides the services. If able, the person shall pay the cost of the assessment and any resulting treatment.
 - c) The assessment must describe the person's level of abuse or dependency, if any, and contain a recommendation as to the appropriate level of treatment, if treatment is indicated. A person who disagrees with the initial assessment may, at the person's expense, obtain a second assessment provided by a licensed addiction counselor or program that meets the requirements of subsection
 - d) The treatment provided must be at a level appropriate to the person's alcohol or drug problem, or both, if any, as determined by a licensed addiction counselor pursuant to diagnosis and patient placement rules adopted by the department of public health and human services. Upon the determination, the court shall order the appropriate level of treatment, if any. If more than one counselor makes a determination, the court shall order an appropriate level of treatment based on the determination of one of the counselors.
 - e) Each counselor providing treatment shall, at the commencement of the course of treatment, notify the court that the person has been enrolled in a chemical dependency treatment program. If the person fails to attend the treatment program, the counselor shall notify the court of the failure.
- (10)
 - a) A person under 21 years of age may not be charged or prosecuted under subsection (1) if:

- (i) the person has consumed an intoxicating substance and seeks medical treatment at a health care facility or contacts law enforcement personnel or an emergency medical service provider for the purpose of seeking medical treatment;
 - (ii) the person accompanies another person under 21 years of age who has consumed an intoxicating substance and seeks medical treatment at a health care facility or contacts law enforcement personnel or an emergency medical service provider for the purpose of seeking medical treatment for the other person; or
 - (iii) the person requires medical treatment as a result of consuming an intoxicating substance and evidence of a violation of this section is obtained during the course of seeking or receiving medical treatment.
- b) For the purposes of this subsection (10), the following definitions apply:
- (i) "Health care facility" means a facility or entity that is licensed, certified, or otherwise authorized by law to administer medical treatment in this state.
 - (ii) "Medical treatment" means medical treatment provided by a healthcare facility or an emergency medical service. *(See compiler's comments for contingent termination of certain text.)*

11.4 Drug Ordinances and Statutes

Montana Drug Statutes

Several state statutes are listed below. The list is representative only and does not include every Montana criminal statute related to drug use. Further information about criminal statutes can be found on the following website: [Montana Code Annotated Ch. 45](#)

45-9-101: Criminal Distribution of Dangerous Drugs

- (1) Except as provided in Title 16, chapter 12, a person commits the offense of criminal distribution of dangerous drugs if the person sells, barter, exchanges, gives away, or offers to sell, barter, exchange, or give away any dangerous drug, as defined in **50-32-101**.
- (2) A person convicted of criminal distribution of dangerous drugs involving giving away or sharing any dangerous drug, as defined in **50-32-101**, shall be sentenced as provided in **45-9-102**.
- (3) A person convicted of criminal distribution of dangerous drugs not otherwise provided for in subsection (1), (2), or (4) or (5) shall be imprisoned in the state prison for a term not to exceed 25 years or be fined an amount of not more than \$50,000, or both.
- (4) A person who was an adult at the time of distribution and who is convicted of criminal distribution of dangerous drugs to a minor shall be sentenced as follows:
 - a) For a first offense, the person shall be imprisoned in the state prison for a term not to exceed 40 years and may be fined not more than \$50,000.
 - b) For a second or subsequent offense, the person shall be imprisoned in the state prison for a term not to exceed life and may be fined not more than \$50,000.
- (5) If the offense charged results in the death of an individual from the use of any dangerous drug that was distributed, the person shall be imprisoned in the state prison for a term of not more than 100 years and may be fined not more than \$100,000.
- (6) Practitioners, as defined in 50-32-101, and agents under their supervision acting in the course and scope of a professional practice are exempt from this section.

45-9-102: Criminal Possession of Dangerous Drugs

- (1) Except as provided in Title 16, chapter 12, or **50-32-609**, a person commits the offense of criminal possession of dangerous drugs if the person possesses any dangerous drug, as defined in **50-32-101**, [in an amount] greater than permitted or for which a penalty is not specified under Title 16, chapter 12.
- (2) A person convicted of criminal possession of dangerous drugs shall be imprisoned in the state prison for a term not to exceed 5 years or be fined an amount not to exceed \$5,000, or both.
- (3) A person convicted of a first violation under this section is presumed to be entitled to a deferred imposition of sentence of imprisonment.
- (4) Ultimate users and practitioners, as defined in **50-32-101**, and agents under their supervision acting in the course of a professional practice are exempt from this section.

45-10-101: Definitions of Drug Paraphernalia

- (1) As used in this part, the term "drug paraphernalia" means all equipment, products, and materials of any kind that are used, intended for use, or designed for use in planting, propagating, cultivating, growing, harvesting, manufacturing, compounding, converting, producing, processing, preparing, testing, analyzing, packaging, repackaging, storing, containing, concealing, injecting, ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise introducing into the human body a dangerous drug. It includes but is not limited to:
 - (a) kits used, intended for use, or designed for use in planting, propagating, cultivating, growing, or harvesting of any species of plant that is a dangerous drug or from which a dangerous drug can be derived;
 - (b) kits used, intended for use, or designed for use in manufacturing, compounding, converting, producing, processing, or preparing dangerous drugs;
 - (c) isomerization devices used, intended for use, or designed for use in increasing the potency of any species of plant that is a dangerous drug;
 - (d) testing equipment used, intended for use, or designed for use in identifying or in analyzing the strength, effectiveness or purity of dangerous drugs;

- (e) scales and balances used, intended for use, or designed for use in weighing or measuring dangerous drugs;
 - (f) diluents and adulterants, such as quinine hydrochloride, mannitol, mannite, dextrose, and lactose used, intended for use, or designed for use in cutting dangerous drugs;
 - (g) separation gins and sifters used, intended for use, or designed for use in removing twigs and seeds from or in otherwise cleaning or refining marijuana;
 - (h) blenders, bowls, containers, spoons and mixing devices used, intended for use, or designed for use in compounding dangerous drugs;
 - (i) capsules, balloons, envelopes, and other containers used, intended for use, or designed to use in packaging small quantities of dangerous drugs;
 - (j) containers and other objects used, intended for use, or designed for use in storing or concealing dangerous drugs;
 - (k) objects used, intended for use, or designed for use in ingesting, inhaling or otherwise introducing marijuana, cocaine, hashish, hashish oil, or other dangerous drugs as defined by 50-32-10 into the human body, such as: (i) metal, wooden, acrylic, glass, stone, plastic, or ceramic pipes with or without screens, permanent screens, hashish heads, or punctured metal bowls; (ii) water pipes; (iii) carburetion tubes and devices; (iv) smoking and carburetion masks; (v) roach clips, meaning objects used to hold burning material, such as a marijuana cigarette, that has become too small or too short to be held in the hand; (vi) miniature cocaine spoons and cocaine vials; (vii) chamber pipes; (viii) carburetor pipes; (ix) electric pipes; (x) air-driven pipes; (xi) chillums; (xii) bongs; (xiii) ice pipes or chillers.
- (2) Words or phrases used in this part that are not defined by this section have the meaning given to them by the definitions contained in 50-32-101 unless the usage clearly indicates a different intent

Federal Drug Statutes

Federal law prohibits the possession, use, distribution or manufacturing of illegal drugs. (Controlled Substances Act, 21 U.S.C. 13). There are strict penalties for drug convictions, including mandatory prison terms for many offenses. The following information provides a brief overview of federal penalties for first and second convictions.

Denial of Federal Benefits to drug traffickers and possessors (21 U.S.C. 862)

<http://uscode.house.gov/view.xhtml?req=granuleid:USC-prelim-title21-section862&num=0&edition=prelim>

A federal drug conviction may result in the loss of federal benefits, including school loans, grants, contracts, and licenses. Federal drug trafficking convictions may result in denial of federal benefits for up to 5 years for a first conviction, 10 years for a second conviction, and permanent denial of federal benefits for a third conviction. Federal drug convictions for possession may result in denial of federal benefits for up to 1 year for a first conviction and up to 5 years for subsequent convictions.

Forfeiture of Personal Property and Real Estate (21 U.S.C. 853)

<http://uscode.house.gov/view.xhtml?req=granuleid:USC-prelim-title21-section853&num=0&edition=prelim>

Any person convicted of a federal drug offense punishable by more than one year in prison shall forfeit to the United States any personal or real property related to the violation, including houses, cars, and other personal belongings. Property may be seized upon arrest on charges that may result in forfeiture.

Federal Drug Trafficking Penalties (21 U.S.C. 841)

<http://uscode.house.gov/view.xhtml?req=granuleid:USC-prelim-title21-section841&num=0&edition=prelim>

Penalties for federal drug trafficking convictions vary according to the quantity of the controlled substances involved in the transaction. The tables linked here summarize penalty information for several types of controlled substances. Persons who violate federal drug trafficking laws within 1,000 feet of a university may face penalties or prison terms and fines up to twice as high as the regular penalties for the offense, with a mandatory prison sentence of at least one year (21 USC §860).

Federal Drug Possession Penalties (21 U.S.C. 844)

<http://uscode.house.gov/view.xhtml?req=granuleid:USC-prelim-title21-section844&num=0&edition=prelim>

Persons convicted of illegally possessing any controlled substance face penalties of up to 1 year in a prison and a minimum fine of \$1,000, or both. Second convictions are punishable by not less than 15 days but not more than 2 years in prison and a minimum fine of \$2,500. Subsequent convictions are punishable by not less than 90 days but not more than 3 years in prison and a minimum fine of \$5,000.

Special sentencing provisions for possession of Flunitrazepam (Rohypnol, “roofies” or “roaches”) impose a prison term of up to 3 years, a fine, or both.

Civil penalties of up to \$10,000 may also be imposed for possession of controlled substances, whether or not criminal prosecution is pursued. Persons convicted of possession may also be fined for the reasonable costs of the investigation and prosecution of the offense. Penalties for possession with intent to distribute are potentially even more severe.

12. Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking

12.1 Carroll College Policy Statement

Carroll College strongly prohibits crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking (as defined by the Clery Act) and reaffirms its commitment to maintaining a campus environment that emphasizes the dignity and worth of all members of the community. This policy encompasses all staff, faculty, and students associated with the college. For more information please review the [Title IX Policy and Title IX Grievance Procedures](#).

Carroll College provides a confidential reporting form for students, employees, or community members to report an incident or concern. This link can be found on our website at the bottom of the home page and is [linked here](#) as well.

12.2 Definitions

- **“Sexual Assault”** is defined as “sexual acts, including sexual intercourse, directed against another person without that person’s consent, including instances in which a person is incapable of giving consent; incest; and sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent of 16 years old.”
- **“Consent”** is defined as “informed, freely given, and mutually understood agreement to sexual activity of any kind.”
- **“Dating Violence”** is defined as “violence committed by a person (a) who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and (b) where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors: (i) The length of the relationship; (ii) The type of relationship; (iii) The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.”
- **“Domestic Violence”** is defined as: “violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction receiving grant monies, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person’s acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction.”
- **“Stalking”** is defined as “engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to (a) fear for his or her safety or the safety of others; or (b) suffer substantial emotional distress.”

12.3 Educational and Prevention Programs

Saints Step Up / Vector Solutions - RespectEdu Sexual Assault Prevention Training

As part of our sexual misconduct and sexual harassment prevention programming, Carroll College requires all incoming and returning students to complete an online comprehensive student Title IX/Sexual Assault Prevention Training program to promote the awareness of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking.

- Saints Step Up engages students in developing healthy relationships and prepares them to recognize and respond to sexual assault, harassment, and sexual and relationship violence when it occurs. The RespectEdu suite of sexual assault prevention training is customized for undergraduate and graduate students.

Mosaic (EduRisk by United Educators) - Employee Programming

Carroll College requires all employees to complete the following online prevention courses annually:

- Prevent Discrimination and Harassment: Faculty & Staff is a 45 minute, online program educating employees on distinguishing different types of discrimination that can occur in the workplace, describing who is and who isn’t protected from discrimination under federal law, recognizing common workplace harassment situations, including retaliation and identifying when it’s appropriate to report instances of workplace harassment.
- Prevent Sexual Violence Together is a 45 minute, online program educating employees on identifying the different types of sexual and intimate partner violence, recognizing the warning signs and troubling behaviors common to situations of sexual and intimate partner violence, as well as applying techniques for responding to student victims of sexual violence.
- Protecting Children: Identifying and Reporting Sexual Misconduct is a 30 minute online program that will help learners recognize warning signs manifested by abused children, describe specific characteristics of predators, identify danger areas where abuse can take place, list rules of conduct for working with children, apply proper boundaries in educator/student relationships, and detail specific steps to report abuse situations.
- Title IX and You: Protecting Your Campus is a 20 minute online program providing a guide to combating sex-based discrimination at the institution. It examines the federal Title IX law, and what it means for faculty and staff at the institution as well as the obligations under the law. This includes how one must respond to and report disclosures of sex-based harassment.

Presentations, Educational Information and In-person Training for Students

New Student Orientation Presentation—An annual meeting is held with all new students during the first week of the academic year with the college’s Victim Advocate to address consent and state laws regarding sexual violence. Additionally, the Wellness Center educated students on what counseling services are available, alcohol policy and violation consequences, what to do in case of an emergency (including sexual assaults) and ways of preventing sexual assaults from happening.

Bystander Intervention—The Dean of Students or designee offers bystander intervention training to all new students during New Student Orientation. In addition, bystander intervention training is offered to student housing staff, campus ministry student staff, ROTC cadets and student-athletes. Sessions open to all students are offered each semester.

Team, Club and Organization Presentations—Through the college's partnership with The Friendship Center, presentations are offered to students regarding consent, sexual violence, alcohol and other drug use as well as dating and relationships.

Culture of Respect —PSA's Eliminate Sexual Violence Partnership to develop a series of posters connecting Catholic social teaching values to the elimination of sexual violence and harassment.

Amnesty for Alcohol or Drug Violations When Reporting. Students who report information about sex-based discrimination, sexual harassment, or sexual misconduct will not be disciplined by the college for any violation of the college's alcohol and drug policies in which they might have engaged in connection with the reported incident.

Presentations, Educational Information and In-person Training for Employees

Responsible Employee Reporting—In order to enable Carroll College to respond effectively and to stop instances of sex-based discrimination, sexual harassment and sexual misconduct, all Carroll College employees must report information they have about reported sex-based discrimination, sexual harassment, and sexual misconduct to the two Title IX Coordinators. Exceptions would include counselors, health care staff and priests within the context of the sacrament of reconciliation.

Faculty and Staff Training. The Title IX Coordinators, in collaboration with The Friendship Center, will offer annual training for college employees to explain how to respond, to report and to support students or employees who inform them of incidents of sexual misconduct or sexual harassment. In addition, faculty and staff will be reminded to report incidents of sexual misconduct and sexual harassment to the Title IX Coordinator, promote the goals of bystander prevention, and support increasing the safety of students and employees.

"What Carroll College Employees Need to Know" handout - is distributed to all employees at the beginning of each academic year. These documents brief employees on the Title IX process and how best to help students who report sexual misconduct and outline campus and community resources.

Other Resources

Sexual Misconduct webpages—On the college's website, students and employees can find information posted on preventing and responding to dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking. The Sexual Misconduct webpages address: Bystander Intervention, Contacts, Definitions, Frequently Asked Questions, The Friendship Center (local domestic violence shelter), Information and Resources for Victims, Laws and Policies, Mandatory Reporting, Online Report Form, Prevention, Statistics, Title IX and Training.

12.4 Resources for Victims of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking

Victims need to know that they have support and resources at Carroll College and in the Helena community. All Carroll College students and employees are mandatory reporters of incidents to the Title IX Coordinator, Karla Weltz, 214 O'Connell Hall, kweltz@carroll.edu, or (406) 447-5501, Title IX Coordinator, Annette Walstad, 127 Borromeo Hall, awalstad@carroll.edu, or (406) 447-5434 or Associate Dean of Students Zack Eckerdt, Borromeo Hall 110, (406) 447-5509 zeckerdt@carroll.edu. Exceptions include counselors, health care staff and priests within the context of the sacrament of reconciliation.

If a crime of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking has occurred, students and employees are encouraged to:

Get Help Immediately

(406) 444-2150—St. Peter's Hospital Emergency Room. A Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) provides information and support, underscores the importance of receiving medical care and the preservation and collection of forensic evidence that may help prove that the alleged criminal offense occurred or to obtain a protection order from the court; explains how and to whom the alleged offense should be reported with law enforcement; offers options about the involvement of law enforcement; and shares the rights of victims. Receiving a forensic examination does not require a person to file a police report. By completing a forensic examination, the evidence is preserved in case the person decides at a later date to file a police report. Confidentiality level: Strictly confidential.

911 (or 9-911 from campus phone) or (406) 457-8866—Helena Police. Calling law enforcement does not obligate you to file a police report, although you may do so if you decide to. The police can provide immediate response for your protection, help you obtain medical care, and arrange to have a meeting for you with a victim advocate. They can provide information regarding the importance of preserving evidence that may be necessary to the proof of a sexual crime. They can share the rights of victims; and offer information about orders of protection from the court. Confidential according to state law.

(406) 442-6800 (24-hour hotline)—Victim Advocate/The Friendship Center. Provides information and support; offers informal remedies; offers options about the involvement of law enforcement and campus authorities (including assistance from campus authorities in notifying law enforcement); and, where applicable, shares the rights of victims and can help you obtain an order of protection issued by a court and "no contact" orders issued by the college. Confidentiality level: Strictly confidential.

(406) 459-0540—On-Call Residential Life & Housing Senior Staff. Provides information and support; underscores the importance of preserving evidence that may help to prove that the alleged criminal offense occurred or to obtain a protective order from the court; offers informal remedies; explains how and to whom the alleged offense should be reported (Title IX Coordinator and Helena Police); offers options about the involvement of law enforcement and campus authorities (including assistance from campus authorities in notifying law enforcement);

and, where applicable, shares the rights of victims and the institution's responsibilities for orders of protection issued by the court and "no contact" orders issued by the college. Confidentiality level: Mostly confidential.

(406) 447-5509—Associate Dean of Students and Director of Residential Life and Housing (Zack Eckerdt). Provides information and support; underscores the importance of preserving evidence that may help to prove that the alleged criminal offense occurred or to obtain a protection order from the court; offers informal remedies; offers options about the involvement of law enforcement and campus authorities (including assistance from campus authorities in notifying law enforcement); and, where applicable, shares the rights of victims and the institution's responsibilities for orders of protection issued by the court and "no contact" orders issued by the college. Confidentiality level: Mostly confidential.

(406) 447-5434—Title IX Coordinator (Annette Walstad). Provides information and support; underscores the importance of preserving evidence that may help to prove that the alleged criminal offense occurred or to obtain a protection order from the court; offers informal remedies; offers options about the involvement of law enforcement and campus authorities (including assistance from campus authorities in notifying law enforcement); and, where applicable, shares the rights of victims and the institution's responsibilities for orders of protection issued by the court and "no contact" orders issued by the college. Title IX Coordinator can help determine whether the college can provide interim measures such as changes to your living, academic, transportation or working situations and can start the conversation about a campus investigation. Confidentiality level: Mostly confidential.

(406) 447-5501—Title IX Coordinator (Karla Weltz). Provides information and support; underscores the importance of preserving evidence that may help to prove that the alleged criminal offense occurred or to obtain a protection order from the court; offers informal remedies; offers options about the involvement of law enforcement and campus authorities (including assistance from campus authorities in notifying law enforcement); and, where applicable, shares the rights of victims and the institution's responsibilities for orders of protection issued by the court and "no contact" orders issued by the college. Confidentiality level: Mostly confidential.

(406) 447-4404—Director of Campus Security and Public Safety (Jay Nelson). Provides information and support; underscores the importance of preserving evidence that may help to prove that the alleged criminal offense occurred or to obtain a protection order from the court; offers options about the involvement of law enforcement and campus authorities (including assistance from campus authorities in notifying law enforcement); and, where applicable, shares the rights of victims and the institution's responsibilities for orders of protection issued by the court and "no contact" orders issued by the college. Confidentiality level: Mostly confidential.

Additional Supporting Resources

(406) 447-5441—Carroll College Counseling Services Staff Kacey Nixon, PCLC Provides information and support; offers professional counseling. Confidentiality level: Strictly confidential.

(406) 447-5441—Carroll College Health Services. Provides information and support; conducts physical exams; able to check blood tests; advice on medications. Confidentiality level: Strictly confidential.

(406) 447-4524—Victim Advocate: The Friendship Center. Provides information and support; offers informal remedies; offers options about the involvement of law enforcement and campus authorities (including assistance from campus authorities in notifying law enforcement); and, where applicable, shares the rights of victims and the institution's responsibilities for orders of protection issued by the court and "no contact" orders issued by the college. Confidentiality level: Strictly confidential.

(406) 461-8492—College Chaplain (Fr. Tyler Frohlich). Provides information and support; offers pastoral spiritual counseling. Confidentiality level: Mostly confidential (unless within the Sacrament of Confession which is Strictly confidential).

12.5 What to do if you are a Victim of Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking

There is no right or wrong way to respond if you are a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking. It is important to remember; no one deserves to be abused and it is not your fault. The following are options you can consider, but you don't have to do anything you don't want to do.

If you are a friend helping someone who is a victim, support their decisions and try to not tell them what to do. Find ways to help them make decisions for themselves.

1. **Seek Medical Attention:** After an incident of sexual assault, dating or domestic violence, you should consider seeking medical attention as soon as possible. St. Peter's Hospital offers physical evidence recovery kit collection, access to forensic nurse examiners and/or sexual assault nurse practitioners. Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANE) are specially trained and are sensitive to the needs of assault survivors. In the State of Montana, evidence may be collected and held for a year even if you choose not to make a report to law enforcement. If you are uncomfortable going to the hospital, you can go to your own private physician or Carroll College Wellness Center for a wellness check and to document the injuries, but they cannot do forensic exams.
2. **Preserve Evidence:** Although it is important for you to make decisions about the kind of service you want, timing is an important factor. It may be important to take action to preserve any evidence for use in a criminal case, even if you aren't sure what you want right now. Medical forensic evidence may be collected if a sexual assault occurred within 120 hours of the evidence collection. The passage of time may make it more difficult, but not impossible, for a SANE to obtain forensic evidence. You may request an exam and forensic evidence collection at no cost and without having to file a police report. The costs of the evidence collection will be covered as part of Montana's Forensic Rape Examination Payment Program. St. Peter's Hospital Emergency Room is the only location in Helena which conducts forensic examinations.

If you are considering a medical forensic exam, it is important that you try not to clean your body, change your clothes, or change any bed linens or other items that may have been near where the assault occurred. This helps preserve evidence that police can use in a criminal case, i.e. proving that the alleged offense occurred, or if you are requesting a protective order.

Even if you do not opt for forensic evidence collection, health care providers can still treat injuries and take steps to address concerns of sexually transmitted infections and/or pregnancy.

You are also encouraged to preserve evidence by saving text messages, instant messages, social networking pages, other communications, and keeping pictures, logs, or other copies of documents, if you have any, that would be useful to a campus and/or criminal investigation. Other evidence of a crime should also be preserved in case criminal charges are pursued. Evidence might include pictures of injuries, forensic examination, written and electronic communications, text messages, emails, photos, or any other evidence that may show a course of conduct.

If you want to talk about these options confidentially, you can talk to anyone on the list of resources above.

Reporting Options:

1. Call the Helena Police Department at 911 or on their non-emergency phone of (406) 457-8866. You have the option to notify law enforcement. Calling law enforcement does not obligate you to file a police report, although you may do so if you decide to. The police can provide immediate response for your protection, help you obtain medical care, and arrange to have a meeting for you with a victim advocate. They can also provide information regarding the importance of preserving evidence that may be necessary to the proof of a sexual crime. All Carroll College Professional Staff can provide you assistance in calling law enforcement.
2. Report the relationship violence or sexual assault to either of the Title IX Co-Coordinators, Karla Weltz, at (406) 447-5501, or directly emailing kweltz@carroll.edu; or at 214 O'Connell Hall, or Annette Walstad, at (406) 447-5434, directly emailing awalstad@carroll.edu, or visiting 127 Borromeo Hall. A Title IX Coordinator can help you report to law enforcement. Notifying the Title IX Coordinator will allow her to help you determine whether the college can provide interim measures such as changes to your living, academic, transportation or working situations and can start the conversation about a campus investigation.
3. Talk with a Victim Advocate, Friendship Center staff member, College Counselor or Counselor serving in a professional role in which communication is privileged under Montana law (e.g. medical providers, licensed professional counselors, rape crisis counselors), who can help explain your options, give you information and provide emotional support. The Friendship Center, which provides free and confidential services to survivors of sexual assault and domestic assault, can be contacted at (406) 442-6800. College counselors, who can be contacted through Counseling Services at (406) 447-5441.
4. Report the relationship violence or sexual assault to the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety, Jay Nelson, at (406) 447-4404, or directly emailing jnelson6@carroll.edu; or 100 Borromeo Hall. The Director of Campus Security can help you report to law enforcement and connect you with one of the Title IX Coordinators.
5. Report the relationship violence or sexual assault to the Residential Life & Housing Senior Staff by calling (406) 459-0540. Residential Life and Housing Senior Staff can help you report to law enforcement and connect you with an on-call professional staff member and/or one of the Title IX Coordinators.
6. Report the relationship violence or sexual assault to the Associate Dean of Students and Director of Residential Life and Housing, Zack Eckerdt, at 406-447-5509, or directly emailing zecherdt@carroll.edu or 127 Borromeo Hall. The Director of Residential Life and Housing can help you report to law enforcement and connect you with one of the Title IX Coordinators..
7. Contact the Wellness Center (in the lower level of Our Lady of Guadalupe Hall) at (406) 447-5441 to talk to a nurse regarding medical concerns, including pregnancy and STD testing following an assault. The Wellness Center does not collect forensic evidence in cases of sexual assault. Wellness Center nurses and counselors in Counseling Services do not have to report sexual assaults to the Title IX Coordinator as other employees would. Talking with them does not start a campus or law enforcement investigation. Utilize a College Counselor to assist you in developing a safety plan.
8. Carroll College provides a confidential reporting form for students, employees, or community members to report an incident or concern. This link can be found on our website at the bottom of the home page and is [linked here](#) as well.

Additional information about reporting options and resources is available on the Sexual Misconduct Resources webpages on the college's website.

12.6 Assistance for Victims

Victim Rights & Options

Regardless of whether a survivor (student or employee) elects to pursue a criminal complaint or college process, the college will assist survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking and will provide each victim with a written explanation of their rights and options. Such written information will include:

- the procedure a victim should follow if a crime of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking has occurred;

- information about how the college will protect the confidentiality of victim and other necessary parties;
- a statement that the college will provide written notification to students and employees about victim services within the institution and in the community;
- a statement regarding the college's provisions about options for, available assistance in, and how to request accommodations and protective measures; and
- an explanation of the procedures for institutional disciplinary action

It does not matter where the victim experienced the behavior, Carroll College is here to work with survivors regardless of where the crime occurred.

Rights of Victims and the Institution's Responsibilities for Orders of Protection, "No Contact" Orders, Restraining Orders, or Similar Lawful Orders Issued by a Criminal, Civil, or Tribal Court or by the Institution

Carroll College complies with Montana law in recognizing orders of protection or criminal no contact orders by: coordinating with the parties to the order as needed to ensure access for the individual who has protection under a court order. Any person who obtains an order of protection from Montana or any reciprocal state should provide a copy to the Title IX Coordinator (Annette Walstad). The petitioner (survivor) may then meet with the Helena Police Department and/or the Title IX Coordinator to develop Supportive & Protective Measures to reduce risk of harm while on campus or coming and going from campus. This plan may include, but is not limited to: escorts, special parking arrangements, changing classroom locations, or allowing a student to complete assignments from home, etc. The College cannot apply for a legal order of protection for a victim from the applicable jurisdiction(s).

In Montana, the law governing Orders of Protection is Chapter 40, Part 21. MCA § 40-15-201 sets forth the procedure for requesting a Temporary Order of Protection. Within 20 days of the issuance of a Temporary Order of Protection, a hearing must be held to determine if there is good cause for the order to be continued, amended, or made permanent. MCA § 40-15-202. The victim is required to apply directly for these services through the City Court, Justice Court, or District Court. Victim Services may also be available to assist with the process.

The College may issue an "Institutional No Contact Order", if deemed appropriate, at the request of the victim or accused. If the College receives a report that an institutional no contact order has been violated, the College will initiate appropriate disciplinary proceedings and will impose sanctions if responsibility is found for violation of the no contact order.

Supportive and Protective Measures Available for Victims

Upon receipt of a report of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, the Title IX Coordinators (Annette Walstad or Karla Weltz) will provide written notification to students and employees about supportive and protective measures available to them, including academic, living, transportation, protective orders and working situations. The written notification will include information regarding the accommodation options, available assistance in requesting accommodations, and how to request supportive and protective measures (i.e., the notification will include the name and contact information for the individual or office that should be contacted to request the accommodations). Supportive and protective measures are available to the individual who experienced the behavior regardless of whether they choose to report the crime to the local law enforcement agency.

At the victim's request, and to the extent of the victim's cooperation and consent, college offices will work cooperatively with the Title IX Coordinator(s) to assist the victim in implementing supportive and protective measures. If reasonably available, a victim may be offered changes to academic, living, working, protective measures or transportation situations regardless of whether the victim chooses to report the crime to law enforcement. Examples of options for a potential change to the academic situation may be to transfer to a different section of a class, withdraw and take a class at another time if there is no option for moving to a different section, etc. Potential changes to living situations may include moving to a different room or residence hall. Possible changes to work situations may include changing working hours. Possible changes in transportation may include having the student or employee park in a different location, assisting the student or employee with a safety escort, etc.

To request changes to academic, living, transportation and/or working situations or protective measures, or to receive assistance in requesting supportive and protective measures, a victim should contact the Title IX Coordinator(s) Annette Walstad at (406) 447-5434 or Karla Weltz at (406) 447-5501.

12.7 College's Response to Reports of Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking

Protecting the Confidentiality of Victims and Others

Carroll College is required by law to compile and to report data concerning certain criminal offenses in order to be in compliance with Title IV for the Higher Education Act of 1965 as amended and the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1998. To protect the confidentiality of victims and others, the Title IX Coordinators and the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety are tasked with compiling recordkeeping without using identifying information about the victim and others. Names and identifying information are omitted from the campus crime logs.

To produce the annual Clery report submitted to the U.S. Department of Education, the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety sends a letter of request to the Helena Police Department which provides crime statistics data for within and bordering the geographical area of the

college campus. The Director of Campus Security Public Safety reviews and analyzes the third-party Campus Security Vendor's incident logs for reportable crime data. The Director of Campus Security meets with the Assistant Dean of Students and Director of Residential Life and Housing to review crime reports received from all Campus Security Authorities. The Director of Campus Security and Public Safety meets with the Title IX Coordinators to review the number of Clery reportable crimes.

Protective measures for the victims—regarding housing, parking, registration for classes, “no contact” orders, or order of protections—are shared with a limited number of individuals: Director of Campus Security and Public Safety, Title IX Coordinator; Student Conduct Administrator (who also supervises housing and parking), Registrar; the Dean of Students; and the Vice President for Finance and Administration. Protective measures are kept in separate files in each office outside of the general access of other personnel in the department.

Written Notification of Campus and Community Resources

To support students and employees who report sexual harassment or sexual misconduct, Carroll College will provide written notification from the Title IX Coordinator and the Victim Advocate about existing counseling, health, mental health, victim advocacy, legal assistance, visa and immigration assistance, student financial aid, and other services available for victims, both within the college and in the community. The same information will be posted on the college's Sexual Misconduct web pages under Information and Resources for Victims.

Carroll College will also provide written notification from the Title IX Coordinator and the Victim Advocate about options for academic, housing, parking, and working situations or protective measures. The institution will make such accommodations if the victim requests them and they are reasonably available regardless of whether the student chooses to report the crime to the college or local law enforcement. The same information will be posted on the college's Sexual Misconduct web pages under Interim Remedies.

Carroll College will also provide written notification from the Title IX Coordinator and the Victim Advocate regarding Informal Remedies and Formal Grievances.

Informal Remedies

If an individual wishes to proceed informally in filing a complaint and the sexual harassment or sexual misconduct does not involve sexual assault, the Title IX Coordinator will conduct such fact-finding as is useful and necessary and will attempt to facilitate a resolution that is agreeable to all parties. Examples of informal remedies may include: shielding a student or employee from ongoing contact with an individual; issuing an administrative request to speak to the individual to express serious concern about a behavior; reminding the individual of policies and definitions related to sexual misconduct; offering counseling targeted to addressing sexual aggression; and reorganizing campus housing assignments so that individuals can feel safer. Informal remedies do not preclude formal discipline.

12.8 Sanctions

Sanctions are intended to improve the students' moral and ethical decision-making and to help them learn more about what is expected as members of our community. In determining a sanction, the Conduct Officer will rely on the Common Sanctioning Guidelines, but may also consider the student's present and past disciplinary record, including Residence Hall disciplinary record, the nature of the offense, the severity of any damage, injury, or harm resulting from the violation, and other factors relevant to the case. Additionally, more than one sanction may be assigned upon the completion of a hearing or proposed by a conduct officer. In cases where students fail to demonstrate an understanding of established conduct standards or pose a threat to the continuing safety of the academic community, the conduct officer may determine that the student should no longer share in the privilege of being a student member of Carroll College's academic community.

The following sanctions may be imposed upon any **student** found to have violated policies associated with Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking.

Warning	Notice in writing to the student that the student is violating or has violated one of these policies.
Probation	A written reprimand or violation of specified policy violation. Probation is for a designated period of time and includes the probability of more severe discipline sanctions such as suspension or expulsion if the student is found to violate the Carroll code during the probationary period.
Loss of Privileges	Denial of specified privileges for a designated period of time.
Fines	Previously established and published fines may be imposed.
Restitution	Compensation for loss, damage, or injury. This may take the form of appropriate service and monetary or material replacement.
Educational Sanctions	Work assignments, essays, service to the College, or other educational or experimental assignments as deemed by the Dean of Students.
Residence Hall Suspension	Separation of the student from the residence halls for a definite period of time, after which the student is eligible to return. Conditions for readmission may be specified.
Residence Hall Expulsion	Permanent separation of the student from the residence halls.

College Suspension	Separation of the student from the college for a definite period of time, after which the student is eligible to return. Conditions for readmission may be specified. Suspended students are not eligible for refunds of tuition, fees, or room charges.
College Expulsion	Permanent separation of the student from the College. Expelled students are not eligible for refunds of tuition, fees, or room charges.
Revocation of Admission or Degree	Admission to or a degree awarded from the College may be revoked for fraud, misrepresentation, or other violation of College standards in obtaining the admission of degree, or for other serious violations committed by a student prior to graduation.
Withholding Degree	The College may withhold awarding a degree otherwise earned until the completion of the process set forth in the Carroll Code, including the completion of all sanctions imposed, if any.
Other	The College may utilize other educational sanctions, as appropriate, to address the violation.

The following sanctions may be imposed upon any **employee** found to have violated policies associated with Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking.

Corrective Counseling	Corrective counseling may be provided to an employee for job-related reasons, including dating violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking. Corrective counseling should consist of a straightforward discussion with the employee about matters deemed to be a problem with work performance or behavior. Corrective counseling must be documented in writing, with a copy given to the employee.
Verbal Warning	A verbal warning may be given to the employee for job-related reasons, including dating violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking. The nature of the problem will be fully explained to and discussed with the employee, and, if appropriate, the employee may be given a plan of improvement. The verbal warning must be documented in writing, with a copy given to the employee.
Written Reprimand	A written reprimand may be given to an employee for job-related reasons. A reprimand must be in writing and must contain a description of the specific conduct for which the employee is being reprimanded. The employee must be given a copy of the reprimand. If appropriate, a written reprimand may contain a plan of improvement.
Disciplinary Probation	(Not to be confused with the probationary period for newly employed staff.) A disciplinary probation may be given to an employee for job-related reasons, including Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking. The terms of a disciplinary probation must be in writing and must contain the following: a. The specifics of the conduct for which the employee is being placed on probation. b. A plan of improvement the employee must follow to get off probation. c. The length of time of the probation.
Suspension	An employee may be suspended for job-related reasons, including Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking. A suspension may be with or without pay and may result in termination or reinstatement with or without back pay; however, exempt employees may be suspended without pay only for a period of one or more weeks. The purpose of a suspension may be to provide an opportunity to determine the facts of a matter. An employee who has been suspended is to leave work for the period specified, or in the case of an investigation, is to return to work only when he/she has been instructed to do so in writing. A suspension must be in writing, must contain a description of the specific conduct or reason for which the employee is being suspended, and a copy of the suspension must be given to the employee. If appropriate, a suspension may include a plan of improvement.
Disciplinary Demotion	An employee may be given a disciplinary demotion for job-related reasons. The terms of a disciplinary demotion must be in writing, must contain a description of the specific conduct or reasons for which the employee is being demoted, and a copy of the disciplinary demotion must be given to the employee. If appropriate, a disciplinary demotion may include a plan of improvement.
Termination for Good Cause	An employee may be terminated from employment for job-related reasons. See Dismissal/Termination Policy, Section 8, Number 3. Notice of a termination must be in

writing, and a copy of the notice must be given to the employee. No employee may be terminated without the approval of the appropriate Vice President or President.

12.9 Reducing the Risk of Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Offenses On-Campus and in our Community

We all have a responsibility to keep our campus and community safe. Being aware of different strategies and taking action when you feel someone is unsafe can help someone get out of a potentially dangerous situation. Look out for your fellow Saints. If someone looks uncomfortable or afraid, check in, find someone who knows the person who can help, or call someone in a position of authority to step in.

If you ever are unsure about a situation you are in, trust your instincts. Make an excuse to leave, ask for help, or even just walk away. Be true to who you are and what you value most. You aren't obligated to do something you don't want to do, and a simple, "I don't want to" is a good enough reason. If you're feeling pressured in a situation, or if you're afraid a blunt "no" will make the situation worse, don't hesitate to make an excuse or even lie if that's what you need to do to get out of the situation.

With no intent to victim blame and recognizing that only abusers are responsible for their abuse, the following are some strategies to reduce one's risk of sexual assault or harassment (taken from Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network, www.rainn.org)

1. **Be aware** of your surroundings. Knowing where you are and who is around you may help you to find a way to get out of a bad situation.
2. Try to **avoid isolated areas**. It is more difficult to get help if no one is around.
3. **Walk with purpose**. Even if you don't know where you are going, act like you do.
4. **Trust your instincts**. If a situation or location feels unsafe or uncomfortable, it probably isn't the best place to be.
5. **Try not to load yourself down** with packages or bags as this can make you appear more vulnerable.
6. **Make sure your cell phone is with you** and charged and that you have cab or Uber money.
7. **Don't allow yourself to be isolated** with someone you don't trust or someone you don't know.
8. **Avoid putting music headphones in both ears** so that you can be more aware of your surroundings, especially if you are walking alone.
9. **When you go to a social gathering, go with a group of friends**. Arrive together, check in with each other throughout the evening, and leave together. Knowing where you are and who is around you may help you to find a way out of a bad situation.
10. **Trust your instincts**. If you feel unsafe in any situation, go with your gut. If you see something suspicious, contact law enforcement immediately. Law Enforcement Authorities can be reached by calling 911.
11. **Don't leave your drink unattended** while talking, dancing, using the restroom, or making a phone call. If you've left your drink alone, just get a new one.
12. **Don't accept drinks from people you don't know or trust**. If you choose to accept a drink, go with the person to the bar to order it, watch it being poured, and carry it yourself. At parties, don't drink from the punch bowls or other large, common open containers.
13. **Watch out for your friends, and vice versa**. If a friend seems out of it, is way too intoxicated for the amount of alcohol they've had, or is acting out of character, get him or her to a safe place immediately.
14. **If you suspect you or a friend has been drugged, contact law enforcement immediately. Law Enforcement Authorities can be reached by calling 911 in most areas of the U.S.).** Be explicit with doctors so they can give you the correct tests (you will need a urine test and possibly others).
15. If you need to get out of an uncomfortable or scary situation here are some things that you can try:
 - a. **Remember that being in this situation is not your fault**. You did not do anything wrong, it is the person who is making you feel uncomfortable is to blame.
 - b. **Be true to yourself**. Don't feel obligated to do anything you don't want to do. "I don't want to" is always a good enough reason. Do what feels right to you and what you are comfortable with.
 - c. **Have a code word with your friends or family** so that if you don't feel comfortable you can call them and communicate your discomfort without the person you are with knowing. Your friends or family can then come to get you or make up an excuse for you to leave.
 - d. **Lie**. If you don't want to hurt the person's feelings it is better to lie and make up a reason to leave than to stay and be uncomfortable, scared, or worse. Some excuses you could use are: needing to take care of a friend or family member, not feeling well, having somewhere else that you need to be, etc.
16. **Try to think of an escape route**. How would you try to get out of the room? Where are the doors? Windows? Are there people around that might be able to help you? Is there an emergency phone nearby?
17. **If you and/or the other person have been drinking**, you can say that you would rather wait until you both have your full judgment before doing anything you may regret later.

Bystander Engagement:

Bystander engagement is encouraged through safe and positive intervention techniques and by empowering third-party intervention and prevention. Techniques taught at Carroll College include the 4 D's: Direct, Distract, Delegate, and Delay. Students are taught each technique and practice using these techniques in scenarios within the prevention training. Students are encouraged to be mindful of safety when using any bystander intervention technique.

Direct intervention focuses on students identifying an unsafe situation and intervening in a direct manner to prevent violence. Distract intervention offers students the ability to intervene by distracting individuals involved in a situation and refocusing on an alternative. Delegate intervention encourages students to find assistance in intervening including calling 911 as needed. Delay intervention reminds students to keep themselves safe and not cause additional violence. They also may use this technique to support a survivor in connecting them with appropriate

resources if they have experienced or are experiencing violence. Bystander empowerment training highlights the need for those who intervene to ensure their own safety in the intervention techniques they choose. Bystander Intervention Training also motivates participants to intervene as stakeholders in the safety of the community when others might choose to be bystanders.

Bystanders play a critical role in the prevention of sexual and relationship violence. They are “individuals who observe violence or witness the conditions that perpetuate violence. They are not directly involved but have the choice to intervene, speak up, or do something about it.” We want to promote a culture of community accountability where bystanders are actively engaged in the prevention of violence without causing further harm. We may not always know what to do even if we want to help. Below is a list of some ways to be an active bystander. If you or someone else is in immediate danger, dial 911. This could be when a person is yelling at or being physically abusive towards another and it is not safe for you to interrupt.

1. **Watch out** for your friends and fellow students/employees. If you see someone who looks like they could be in trouble or need help, ask if they are ok.
2. **Confront** people who seclude, hit on, try to make out with, or have sex with people who are incapacitated.
3. **Speak up** when someone discusses plans to take sexual advantage of another person.
4. **Believe** someone who discloses sexual assault, abusive behavior, or experience with stalking.
5. **Refer** people to on or off campus resources listed in this document for support in health, counseling, or with legal assistance.

13. Hazing / Stop Campus Hazing Act

The Stop Campus Hazing Act, enacted on December 23, 2024 amends the Clery Act to to prioritize the prevention of and transparency about hazing incidents at colleges and universities. Carroll College recognizes the uniqueness and dignity of the human person and the religious and moral values implied in one's relationship to God, self, and others. In full support of the Carroll College Mission Statement, Carroll's policy and procedure on hazing is designed to help protect the community from actions that undermine the college's mission and to provide assistance and support for those who have been targeted.

A Campus Hazing Transparency Report will be posted on the Carroll website in October 2026. The report will be updated biannually.

[Carroll College Hazing Policy and Procedure](#)

14. Equal Opportunity and Non-Discrimination Grievance

This policy and procedure may be used when a faculty, staff, or student believes there has been a violation of Carroll College's Equal Opportunity Policy (including discrimination or harassment based on a protected class, sexual misconduct, or retaliation) or other equal opportunity laws by a faculty, staff member, student, or vendor or other non-employee. The procedure also addresses complaints or reports of retaliation against those who have opposed practices prohibited under Carroll's Equal Opportunity and Non-Discrimination Policy, those who have filed complaints or reports under this policy, and those who have testified or otherwise participated in the enforcement of this policy or Carroll's Equal Opportunity and Non-Discrimination Policy.

[Carroll Equal Opportunity and Non-Discrimination Grievance Policy and the Equal Opportunity and Non-Discrimination Grievance Procedure](#)

15. Sexual and Violent Offender Registry

Carroll College is required by the Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act to notify students and employees of the location of information pertaining to individuals employed or enrolled on campus who have been convicted of violent sex offenses or criminal offenses against minors. The website address for Montana is <https://app.doj.mt.gov/apps/svow/>.

16. Missing Student Policy

If any member of the Carroll College community has reason to believe that a student who resides in campus housing is believed to be missing for 24 hours, they should immediately notify the Director of Campus Safety and Security at 406-447-4404, on-call Residential Life & Housing Senior Staff at 406-459-0540, the Director of Residential Life & Housing at 406-447-5509, or the Associate Vice President / Dean of Students at 406-447-5434. A student is presumed missing if he/she is overdue in reaching home, campus, or other specific destination for 24 hours past his/her expected time of arrival and/or additional factors that lead college staff to believe that he/she is missing. The college does not have to wait a full 24 hours before determining a student is missing, or from initiating notification procedures as soon as it is determined a student is missing.

College staff will:

1. Conduct a health and safety check of the resident's room.
2. Attempt to contact the student via cell phone, email or other means.
3. Identify other students who may be aware of the missing student's whereabouts (i.e. roommate, friends, classmates, other residents, etc.).
4. Use the student's class schedule to contact his or her professors.
5. Contact the student's academic advisor.

If, upon investigation, it is determined that the student is missing, the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety and/or the Director of Residential Life & Housing will:

- Contact the student's identified emergency contact within the first 24 hours of when the student was determined to be missing;
- Contact the parent, legal guardian, or custodian of a student who is under the age of 18 years of age, and not an emancipated individual, within the first 24 hours of when the student was determined to be missing (in addition to any contact person designated by the student);
- Notify Helena Police Department at 406-457-8866 within 24 hours of when the student was determined to be missing (if Helena Police did not make the determination that the student is missing).

At the time of registration, all students are requested to provide personal emergency contact person(s) name and contact information. This information is maintained in the Self Service System and is designated as confidential. The confidential contact person will be notified within 24 hours once the student is determined to be missing and that only authorized campus officials including the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety, the Associate Director of Residential Life and Housing, as well as law enforcement officers in furtherance of a missing person investigation may have access to this information. If the student is under 18 years of age and not emancipated, the college must notify a custodial parent or guardian within 24 hours of the determination that the student is missing, in addition to notifying any additional contact person designated by the student.

The Annual Fire Safety Report

1. Fire Safety in Student Housing

The Higher Education Act of 2008 requires Carroll College to collect and report statistics in an annual report for each on-campus student housing facility. This report requires fire statistics for the three most current calendar years, the fire safety systems installed in each student housing, number of fire drills supervised each year, policies on ignition sources (smoking, open flame, portable electrical appliances, etc.), procedures for fire evacuation, and policies on fire safety education and training.

The definition of an on-campus student housing facility is: “Any student housing facility that is owned or controlled by the institution, or is located on property that is owned or controlled by the institution, and is within the reasonably contiguous geographical area that makes up the campus is considered an on-campus student housing facility.”

There are four campus residence halls (Our Lady of Guadalupe Hall “Guad”, opened 1961; St. Charles Hall, opened 1910; Borromeo Hall “Borro”, opened 1957; and Trinity Hall, opened 2003), four campus apartments (St. Catherine of Siena, St. Matthew, St. Alfred the Great and St. John Vianney). The first two campus apartments were opened in May 2014 and the second two campus apartments were opened in August 2017.

2. Fire Safety Report Statistics

Residential Building	2025				2024				2023			
	Number of Fires	Number of Injuries	Number of Deaths	Value of Property Damage	Number of Fires	Number of Injuries	Number of Deaths	Value of Property Damage	Number of Fires	Number of Injuries	Number of Deaths	Value of Property Damage
Guadalupe Hall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Charles Hall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Borromeo Hall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity Hall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Matthew Apts.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Catherine Apts.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Alfred Apts.	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	500.00	0	0	0	0
St. John Apts.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AZ House #1 1321 Benton	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	0	0	0	0
AZ House #2 1325 Benton	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	0	0	0	0
AZ House #3 1329 Benton	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	Demoed	0	0	0	0

3. Description of Fire Safety Systems in Student Housing

Carroll College maintains a fire and smoke detection alarm system in each campus residence hall—Our Lady of Guadalupe Hall, St. Charles Hall, Borromeo Hall and Trinity Hall—and in the four campus apartments—St. Catherine of Siena, St. Matthew, St. Alfred the Great, and St. John Vianney. Smoke detectors are located in each resident room and in common areas of the buildings. Fire extinguishers and fire hoses are located on each floor in the residence halls. Fire extinguishers are also provided in common areas such as the kitchen, game room, computer and lobby of the building.

Trinity Hall—which has kitchenettes in each suite—and the campus apartments, St. Catherine of Siena, St. Matthew, St. Alfred the Great, and St. John Vianney, have their fire alarm system linked to a service that notifies the Helena Fire Department of an alarm in the building. The other three campus residences—Our Lady of Guadalupe Hall, St. Charles Hall and Borromeo Hall - have been upgraded and all systems now call out to our vendor which notifies the Helena Fire Department. The Helena Fire Department has an annual walkthrough of Carroll College campus residence halls to evaluate conditions. The college is required to make improvements on items identified in the walkthrough in order to maintain a safe environment for our students.

In each building, Residential Life & Housing student housing staff (Resident Assistants—“RAs”) are trained to conduct a fire drill each semester and to evacuate the building for any fire alarm in support of the response of the Helena Fire Department. Residents are informed of evacuation procedures and precautions to be taken in case of fire or other emergency annually at floor and hall meetings. Each floor in campus housing has an evacuation plan reporting to their designated assembly area.

4. Fire Drills in Student Housing

Each residence hall, campus apartment and college-owned house used for student housing has a fire drill plan. The Residential Life & Housing staff will inform all students of the appropriate procedures and precautions to be taken in case of fire or other emergency. Failure to leave the building will result in disciplinary response. Each semester a fire drill will be held in each hall, apartment building and house.

5. Fire Safety Policy

Under Campus Housing Policies in the Carroll College Student Handbook, the college outlines the Fire Safety Policy as: to safeguard the safety of students, all residence halls and campus apartments have fire and smoke detection systems. College-owned houses used for student housing have smoke detection systems. The safety of the resident communities is paramount and any behavior or negligence that puts that community at risk will be regarded in a serious manner and dealt with through the conduct process.

Any tampering with fire alarms, hoses, extinguishers, or a fire escape is prohibited by state law and college regulations. Removal of a smoke detector battery or tampering with a hard-wired smoke detector from a room in campus housing is subject to a \$50 fine for each resident. Tampering with fire alarms and firefighting equipment will result in a \$500 fine for each student involved.

All residents must maintain their room in a manner that will not constitute a fire hazard. Specifically, the following items are addressed:

- **Portable Electrical Appliances—Restricted Use.** Appliances with an open heating element such as hot plates, grills, electric woks, toaster ovens, ovens, or electric fry pans, pressure cookers (eg. Instapots), private washing machines, dryers, and extension cords. Window, portable, and standing air conditioning units and portable heaters are not allowed.
- **Smoke-Free/Tobacco-Free Campus—Restricted Use.** The use of tobacco related products (including but not limited to lighted or unlighted cigarette, electronic cigarette, cigar, pipe, bidi, clove cigarette, smokeless or spit tobacco, dissolvable tobacco, hookah shisha, snuff or snus, kreteks, and cigarillos) by students, faculty, staff and visitors is prohibited on all property owned, leased, or used for specific events by the college or any of its components. The policy has one exception: Ceremonial use of tobacco. Ceremonial use of tobacco in or on property owned, leased, or used for specific events by Carroll College must be approved prior to the event by the appropriate Vice President.
- **Open Flames—Candles and heating elements for non-burning candles are not permitted in student housing.**
- **Incense—Incense and potpourri are not allowed to be burnt in student housing.**
- **Black Lights—Restricted Use.** These lights are not permitted in student housing because they operate at higher temperatures than standard light bulbs.
- **Chemicals and Explosives—Restricted Use.** Chemicals and explosives, including combustion engines and flammable or explosive liquids are not permitted in student housing. This includes materials and devices which by themselves, or when combined, could be explosive, toxic, flammable, or dangerous.
- **Halogen Lamps—These lamps are safe if used appropriately.** These lights are equipped with an extremely hot bulb and if any cloth, paper, or combustible items comes in contact with, or even in close proximity to the bulb, it may cause a fire. Please keep these lights in an area of the room that will allow them to be free standing and not in contact with or in close proximity to anything else,
- **Extension Cords—Restricted Use.** Only power strips with surge protection are allowed on campus.

6. Reporting Fires and Other Emergencies

In response to a fire, Carroll College students and employees should immediately activate the building fire alarm system by pulling the nearest fire alarm pull box and call 911 from a safe location. Provide 911 with the following information: address or name of campus building; location of the fire; size of the fire; any known injuries; and if evacuation is in progress or completed. The same response should be used for smoke in a building and other indications of a possible fire (e.g. heat detection, alarms in mechanical areas).

7. Fire Evacuation Guidelines

Exit the building as quickly as possible using the primary or secondary evacuation routes. Do not use the elevators. If you are in an elevator when an alarm sounds, exit the elevator at the next stop. Proceed to the nearest exit from the building.

If you encounter smoke, drop down to the floor and stay low until you reach the exit.

Attempt to extinguish the fire only if: you are trained in the use of a portable fire extinguisher; the fire can be easily extinguished using a portable fire extinguisher; and your safety and the safety of others is not at risk.

After exiting the building, immediately proceed to your pre-determined assembly area. You will be directed to a secondary location if necessary.

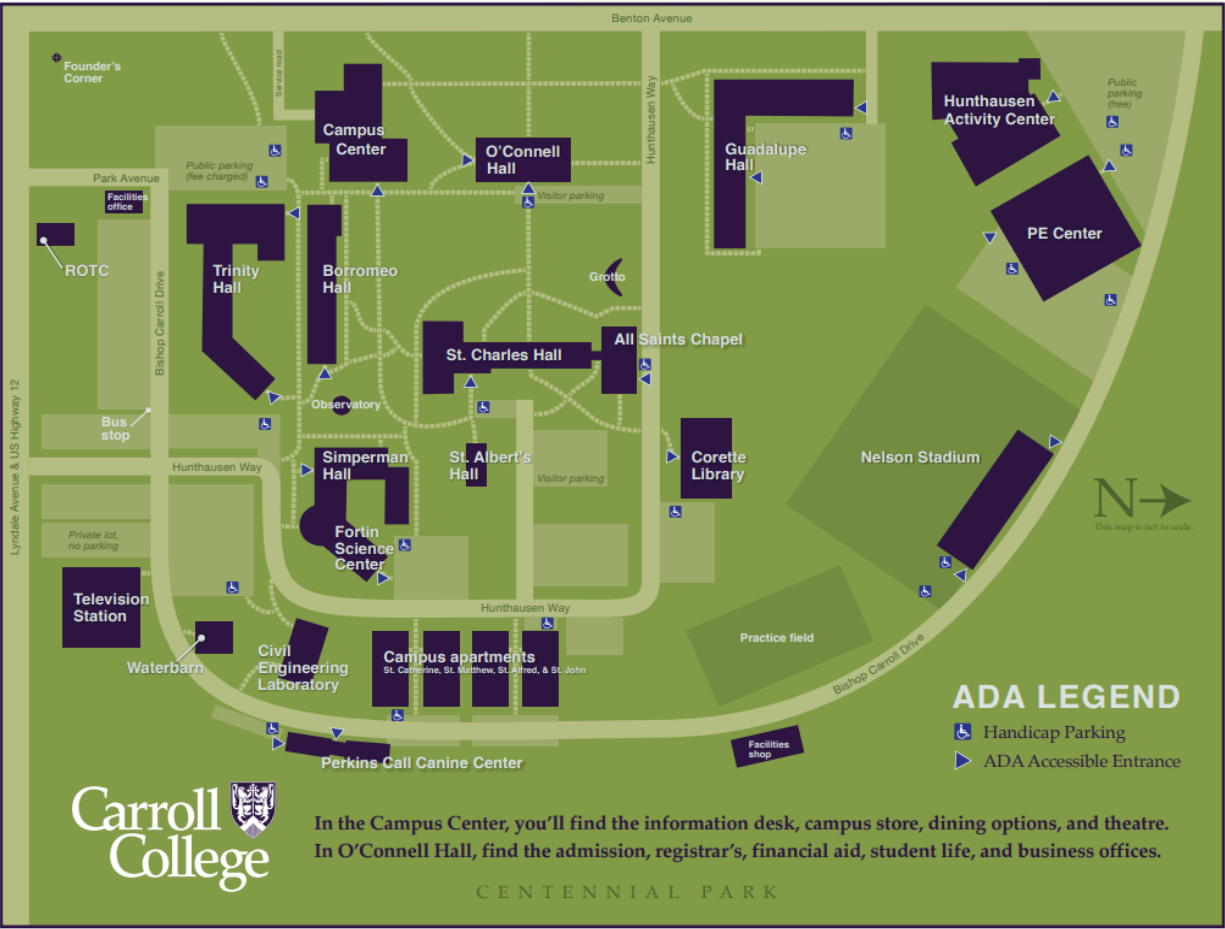
Once you have reached the assembly area, follow the directions of the Building Action Team members.

Building Action Team members will account for everyone's presence and report the information to a member of the Emergency Response Team or Incident Commander.

Do not leave the assembly area or return to the building until you are officially notified by a member of the Emergency Response Team or Emergency Responders.

Inform Emergency Responders if you suspect someone may be trapped inside the building.

The assembly locations for student housing are:



BUILDING	ASSEMBLY AREA
Our Lady of Guadalupe Hall	PE Center, Lobby
St. Charles Hall	Campus Center, Upper Level Lounge
Borromeo Hall	Campus Center, Upper Level Lounge
Trinity Hall	Campus Center, Upper Level Lounge
St. Matthew Apartments	Fortin Science Center, Scola Lounge
St. Catherine of Siena Apartments	Fortin Science Center, Scola Lounge
St. Alfred the Great Apartments	Fortin Science Center, Scola Lounge
St. John Vianney Apartments	Fortin Science Center, Scola Lounge

8. Fire Safety Education and Training

In August of 2024, Carroll College hosted it's first, First Responders Day. Representatives from the Helena Fire Department, Helena Police Department, Lewis & Clark County Sheriffs Office, State of Montana Disaster and Emergency Services, and St. Peter's Ambulance all attended. The responders were provided information about the make-up of campus and were provided with a tour of campus to better acquaint them with our buildings and grounds.

At the time of an incident, emergency, or disaster such as a fire, Carroll College employees and students should know what type of response is expected and what their role is in carrying out the Campus Emergency Plan. All employees and students should be familiar with evacuation, shelter-in-place and lockdown procedures in order to safeguard the safety of college employees, students and guests. All employees, students and guests are expected to leave the building immediately anytime the fire alarm sounds or they are notified in person, by phone, by email or by web posting that they are to evacuate the building. There are no exceptions.

To prepare the campus, Carroll College will conduct training and/or evacuation drills, shelter-in-place drills and lockdown drills in every building on campus at least once per year. The Helena Fire Department will be notified and asked to participate in the drills. They will help evaluate the effectiveness of our plan. The drills may be conducted without notice. Employees, students, and guests should evacuate the building in case of a fire alarm and go to the assembly location. The assembly locations for campus buildings are as following:

BUILDING	ASSEMBLY AREA
All Saints Chapel	Corette Library, Main Floor
Perkins Call Canine Center	Trinity Hall, Main Floor
Borromeo Hall	Campus Center, Upper Level
Campus Apartments	Fortin Science Center, Scola Lounge
Campus Center	Trinity Hall, Main Lounge
Campus Houses	Campus Center, Upper Level
Civil Engineering	Fortin Science Center, Scola Lounge
Corette Library	Guadalupe Hall, Main Lounge
Facilities House	Trinity Hall, Main Lounge
Fortin Science Center	Campus Center, Upper Level
Guadalupe Hall	P.E. Center, Lobby

BUILDING	ASSEMBLY AREA
Hunthausen Activity Center	P.E. Center, Lobby
Nelson Stadium	P.E. Center, Lobby
O'Connell Hall	Campus Center, Upper Level
P.E. Center	Nelson Stadium, Concessions Area
ROTC House	Trinity Hall, Lounge
Simperman Hall	Campus Center, Upper Level
St. Albert Hall	Corrette Library, Main Floor
St. Charles Hall	Campus Center, Upper Level
Trinity Hall	Campus Center, Upper Level
Waterbarn	Fortin Science Center, Scola Lounge

Each freshmen class will receive information regarding fire safety during new student orientation. Additional fire safety education programs will be scheduled with student leadership groups, athletic teams, employee groups and interested students in order to increase the critical mass of responders who know the Campus Emergency Plan and how to respond in case of a fire or fire alarm. Fire safety videos will be posted on the college's website to stress the importance of evacuation when a fire alarm sounds. Employees will be sent email reminders of the addresses of campus buildings each semester (to report in case of a 911 call) as well as the list of assembly locations for the occupants of each building to gather after a building evacuation. Cold weather assembly locations will also be identified in fire safety education programs.

To support the emergency preparedness of Carroll College, each building will have a Building Action Team to assist employees, students and guests to respond to incidents, emergencies and disasters. Each team will consist of a Coordinator, Floor Leaders and Disabled Persons Buddies. Employees are expected to communicate directly with the Building Action Team Coordinator information such as potential hazards, blockages in exit routes, or other safety concerns that will hamper evacuation or rescue of building occupants.

9. Reporting a Fire

Employees and students should report a fire to the Helena Fire Department by calling 911 (or 9-911 from a campus phone). Employees and students should also report a fire to any of the following campus officials:

- On-Call: Residential Life & Housing Senior Staff (406) 459-0540
- Dan Byrd, Director of Facilities, (406) 871-2637
- Annette Walstad, Associate VP of Student Engagement, (406) 447-5434
- Jim Carney, VP for Finance, Administration & Facilities, (406) 459-1593
- Zack Echerdt, Associate Dean of Students and Director of Residential Life and Housing, (406) 447-5509
- Jay Nelson, Director of Campus Security and Public Safety, (406) 447-4404

10. Campus Fire Log

Carroll College keeps a combined campus crime and fire log in the Director of Campus Security and Public Safety Office that records by the date that the fire was reported, any fire that occurred in an on-campus student housing facility. The log will include the nature, date, time and general location for each fire. The college will:

- Make an entry or an addition to an entry to the log within two business days of the receipt of the Information.
- Make the fire log for the most recent 60-day period open to public inspection during normal business hours, and
- Make any portion of the log older than 60 days available within two business days of a request for public inspection.

The combined campus crime and fire log is also available online at <https://www.carroll.edu/safety-emergency/incident-reporting-logs>

11. Last Year's Improvements in Fire Safety

- a) All residential housing buildings now have third party monitored early alert systems, Borromeo was completed this summer.
- b) Completed the final phase of the Simperman Learning Commons and Corrette Library so that the entire building has a new Sprinkler and Early Detection system.
- c) The Guadalupe Hall Sprinkler system has been designed and phase 1 & 2 of this project have been completed, and phase 3 contracts have been signed, mostly completed, with full completion scheduled for December 31, 2025.
- d) All buildings now have a redundant call out line via wireless signal.
- e) The Main valve in Nelson Stadium was replaced with an automatically resetting valve and multiple zones of the sprinkler system were replaced.
- f) Replaced backflow on All Saints Chapel wet system
- g) Replaced compressor for St John's Apartment Complex dry system along with multiple heads.
- h) Every dry and wet system on campus was tested for functionality via a third party vendor.
- i) Every smoke detector and system were tested for functionality via a third party vendor.
- j) Painted new fire lanes in and around PE Center, Stadium Complex, and Library

12. Future Improvements in Fire Safety

- 1. Continue to maintain, evaluate, and test current fire/smoke alarm systems, fire sprinkler systems, and fire extinguishers and improve processes for fire drills, evacuation routes, assembly areas to meet the needs and demands of all emergencies or natural disasters. We do yearly tests and inspections with an outside vendor for sprinkler systems, smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, which includes the kitchen and Halon Systems.

