



ST. CATHERINE  
UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

**PUBLIC SAFETY ALERT – April 12, 2011**

**ALERT:**  
Critical / Major Incident

**ADVISORY:**  
Important Incident

**BULLETIN:**  
General Information

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The Department of Public Safety would like to inform the St. Catherine community of the following Public Safety Alert:

Today, a St. Catherine University student reported to Public Safety that on Sunday, April 10, 2011, at approximately 6 p.m. — while she was walking on River Road south of the Ford Plant, approximately 1.5 miles south of the St. Paul campus — she noticed three men following her. When the path cleared of other walkers, the three men grabbed her from behind and pulled her off the walking path to a muddy dirt trail. Two of the men sexually assaulted her while the third male held her down. During the assault, the perpetrators were laughing but otherwise did not speak to the victim.

The suspects are described as African American males, approximately 6'2", 18 to 25 years old. The victim was not able to provide further information. The University has shared this same information with the St. Paul Police Department.

***St. Catherine University believes that descriptors alone are not a valid reason to profile or cast suspicion on any individual. They are included here because they may reasonably assist in identifying the perpetrator of this incident.***

Please consider walking in groups while out and about. Contact Public Safety at 651-690-8888 or call 911 if you see suspicious activity. For information and counseling on sexual assault, please contact St. Kate's Counseling Center at x6805 in St. Paul or at x7830 in Minneapolis, or call Sexual Offense Services at 651-643-3006.

For further information, contact Public Safety at 651-690-8888 or [security@stkate.edu](mailto:security@stkate.edu)

Go to Public Safety's website inside Gateway and look under "Safety" for other safety tips.