In light of recent events at colleges and universities around the country, we at UVM Police Services extend our support to students of color on our campus and elsewhere. Everyone in our university community should feel safe and welcome on campus, regardless of their race, ethnicity, religion, or any other identity they may have.

Bias and hate are contrary to all our values, our conscience, and our community. Part of the mission of Police Services is to uphold the University’s “Our Common Ground,” and to work to promote a safe and inclusive environment at UVM. We strive to protect the rights of everyone at UVM to live, study, learn, work, and grow in an environment free of intimidation or harassment motivated by bigotry, racial hatred, or other biases. Everyone deserves to feel safe and welcome here at UVM.

UVM Police Services’ number one priority is the safety of the individuals in our community. We take reports of threats, intimidation, and harassment seriously. If someone has made racist or other derogatory or hateful threats or actions against you or someone you know, or if someone has harassed or intimidated you, we strongly encourage you to make a report to us at 802-656-3473 (always call 9-1-1 in an emergency). We can develop a safety plan with you, investigate the incident, and help to connect you with any number of support services and resources on campus and in the community. If you have experienced discrimination or harassment that is not criminal, the Office of Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity (802-656-3368) can conduct an equal opportunity investigation of a violation of UVM policy.