Since October 7th, 2023, Jewish students on college campuses and universities have experienced heightened threats, including acts of harassment, intimidation, and assaults. Institutions of higher education bear the responsibility of ensuring the safety and security of their students, fostering an environment where all individuals feel welcome.

This set of security and safety measures, crafted by the Secure Community Network (SCN) — the official safety and security organization of the Jewish community of North America — aims to offer concrete guidance to campus and university administrators, enabling them to safeguard their students. Many of these measures are designed to benefit students from diverse backgrounds, addressing various challenges encountered in the college and university environment.

1. **Establishing a Security Advisory Council:** A multi-faith security advisory council/committee to bring together faith-based student groups and related entities with regular security and safety concerns. This council aims to facilitate discussions, identify collaborative solutions, and work towards their implementation.

2. **Keeping Leadership Contacts Current for Jewish Student Entities:** Maintaining updated contact information for the leadership of Jewish groups, student organizations, and centers of Jewish life.

3. **Ensuring Access to Jewish Organizations' Emergency Contacts:** Ensuring that campus administration and public safety agencies are aware of the locations of Jewish campus organizations and centers of campus Jewish life and possess emergency as well as regular operational contact information.

4. **Proactive Measures for Campus Safety During Significant Gatherings:** Conducting regular check-ins to identify significant dates and events that may result in larger-than-normal gatherings, after-hour events, or circumstances attracting heightened attendance or attention (e.g., shabbat dinners, holiday celebrations, etc.).

5. **Providing Floor Plans for Jewish Campus Organizations:** Ensuring that campus and/or local public safety agencies have access to floor plans for Jewish campus organizations and centers of campus Jewish life.

6. **Enhancing Preparedness for Jewish Campus Facilities:** Ensuring that campus and/or local public safety agencies are familiar with the internal layouts and security measures in place at Jewish campus organizations and centers of campus Jewish life.

7. **Bi-annual Training for Jewish, Campus, and Public Safety Leadership:** Developing and implementing coordinated training and exercises that bring together Jewish, campus, and public safety leadership on at least a bi-annual basis, ideally once in the fall before the start of school and once in the winter/spring.

8. **Establishing Clear Reporting Channels for Security Concerns:** Developing and publicizing reporting structures to make students, faculty, and staff aware of how to report suspicious activity, threatening behavior, and security incidents.

9. **Behavioral Threat Assessment Team Implementation:** Implementing Behavioral Threat Assessment Teams and ensuring awareness of these teams, their purpose, and the impact they can have.

10. **Enhancing Security Incident Response Coordination:** Establishing a communication protocol for the prompt dissemination of critical information in the event of a security incident, ensuring efficient coordination and response efforts.

SCN operates a Campus Security Initiative (CSI), a collaborative effort among various Jewish organizations to address the safety and security issues of Jewish students on campuses. The CSI is available to provide facility assessments, guidance on physical security, training, and incident response.

COMMIT TO ACTION

Report Suspicious Activity & Threat Incidents Contact:
📞 844.SCN.DESK   ✉ ReportCampusHate.org

🛡 **SCN's 24/7/365 National JSOCC and Duty Desk** serve as the central intake and distribution point for security incident and threat reporting, intelligence analysis, information sharing, and incident tracking.

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