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Clery Crime Alert Burglaries

The Department of Public Safety has been informed of three burglaries that occurred between August 2, 2025, at 11:47pm and August 4, 2025, at 8:08pm and 8:20pm at 521 West 111 Street, 420 West 119 Street and 500 West 122 Street, respectively. It is believed that these burglaries were all perpetrated by the same person.

A video review shows an individual pressing intercom buttons randomly until they are let in. This technique is used at all three buildings.

The individual is described as male presenting, with a dark complexion, black hair and a black moustache and beard. If you have any additional information about this incident, please contact Public Safety at 212-854-2797.

Safety Tips

- Do not buzz people into a building unless you know who they are and what they are doing.
- Please try to retrieve your package in a timely manner.
- Do not allow people to "piggyback" into a building with you. If someone is "piggybacking" into a building and you do not feel safe stopping them, please call Public Safety at 212 854-2797 as soon as you are able to.
- Please report any broken doors, locks, or entrances to your building super as soon as possible.



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