



Crime Informational - Harassment/Panhandling

On Saturday, April 30, 2022 at approximately 1:50 am, the unknown male in the photo below approached three individuals and asked for money. The incident happened at 118th Street and Broadway on the west side of the street. The victims turned around and walked south. The suspect continued north. If seen, please call Public Safety immediately at 212-854-5555. No police report on file.



Please Remember These Safety Tips:

- Be aware of your surroundings, especially when walking alone
- Using a smartphone or other electronic devices, especially with earbuds, can be distracting and may make you a vulnerable target for an assailant.
- Trust your instincts. If you feel that you may be in danger, seek out others, or an open facility that can assist.
- Use Columbia's Lion Safe App Friend Walk feature. Lion Safe App | Public Safety (columbia.edu)
- Try not to walk alone during late-night hours. Walk in groups, whenever you can, there is always safety in numbers. Use the Columbia University Shuttle Bus whenever possible.
- If you are the victim of a crime, call 911 immediately and then report the incident to the Department of Public Safety at (212) 854-5555.

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