To: Members of the Virginia Union University Community  
Re: Annual Report on Campus Security and Fire Safety 2022 Crime Statistics and Reporting for Calendar Year 2021

Greetings Panther Community,

As we do each year, consistent with federal law, Virginia Union University has completed its annual report on campus security and fire safety for 2022. The report contains statistics for calendar year 2019, 2020 and 2021. This report is now available https://www.vuu.edu/about-union/university-police

This report contains three years’ worth of campus crime statistics as well as security policy statements, fire safety information, and information on how students, faculty and staff should report crimes.

The Virginia Union University data, along with comparable information from other colleges and universities, are published electronically by the U.S. Department of Education. The information can be viewed at http://ope.ed.gov/security.

The Virginia Union University Police Department (VUUPD) welcomes the opportunity to work in collaboration with all students, faculty and visitors to provide a safe environment. The VUUPD has adopted the philosophy of procedural justice. This philosophy will ensure that our police officers, and security staff, treat all persons with respect, dignity and fairness. The VUUPD will continuously enhance its efforts to establish legitimacy with our community here at VUU. This will be accomplished by building trust from within the university and surrounding community. We recognize that our success requires a strong community policing dynamic where we engage and seek to understand all people.

I hope you will read this annual report on campus security and fire safety and become familiar with the services and programs available to help keep the campus safe. If you have questions about the federal requirements and reporting on security and fire safety or other police and security matters, you may contact me at RECottrell@vuu.edu or (804) 257-5777.

Sincerely,

Robert Cottrell

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Chief of Police, Director of Public Safety