

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS



STAGES OF SITUATIONAL AWARENESS

Avoid becoming an easy target by being alert and familiarizing yourself with your immediate surroundings, through these 3 stages:

- **Perception** – scanning and becoming familiar with your immediate surroundings and potential threats
- **Comprehension** – make sense of what is occurring/taking place in immediate environment
- **Projection** – form predictions of what could potentially happen in our environment, then rescanning to see if things happen the way you predicted



IMPROVING AWARENESS

Lack of critical observation of your environment can have immediate and dire consequences

- Identify objects around you
- Monitor other individuals within your vicinity
- Locate entry and exit points, should you need to leave a dangerous situation
- Practice prediction by imagining potential future danger
- Always remain vigilant of surroundings



STREET SAFETY

- Maintain alertness and walk with confidence
- Stay off cell phone
- Travel only in well-lit streets and avoid short cuts through deserted areas



DATING SAFETY

- Know sexual misconduct laws and your rights
- Maintain personal boundaries, respect other's boundaries
- Continuous consent



SOCIAL EVENT SAFETY

- If you come with 2, leave with 2
- Never accept a drink from anyone, especially strangers
- Always have phone fully charged



DRIVING SAFETY

- Always have car keys readily available
- Check backseats and floorboard before entering car
- Ensure car settings only unlock driver side vs unlocking all doors
- Never go home if you think you are being followed, go to the nearest police or fire station



RIDE SHARE SAFETY

- Always ensure the car, the license plate and the driver fit the description given
- Pay attention to route being taken
- Share ride with friends instead of riding alone

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STEP 1

Submit an anonymous tip



STEP 2

Your tip leads to an arrest or disciplinary action



STEP 3

Receive a cash reward
(up to \$5,000)