Central Michigan University is a very safe campus. We have the lowest crime rates of any university in the state, but unfortunately things can happen anywhere at anytime. We want CMU students, faculty, and staff to be prepared to handle any situation and come out safe. Nationally, there are over 1.6 million victims of violent crimes on an annual basis. We do not want anyone here to become a statistic!

Make a Plan!  
Review the Plan!  
Follow the Plan!

A violent incident can arise at a moments notice and evolve very quickly. The frequency of occurance is very low, but obviously the consequences are very high. If you find yourself in this type of situation, you MUST have a SURVIVAL mindset!

Steps to Keep Yourself Safe:

- Notify the Police. The authorities need to be aware of the incident. Provide as much information as possible by calling 911.
- Decide your course of action.
  - **Best Choice: Get Out**
    - Be aware of possible exit points from the building
    - If you can get out, do so as quickly as possible
    - Help others escape if possible
  - **Next Best Choice: Hide Out**
    - Lock and barricade all doors
    - Remain quiet in the room
    - Spread out if possible
  - **If You Have No Other Choice: Take Out**
    - If no other option exists, you may be forced to confront the threat
    - Use any means necessary to come out alive!
    - Consider acting as a team to confront the threat

The Police will respond and address all incidents. However, during the initial minutes, it is important to take the necessary steps to keep yourself safe.

CMU has various programs in place to prevent violent incidents from occurring. If you have any questions, or would like more information, please contact us at 989-774-3081, or visit our website: [www.police.cmich.edu](http://www.police.cmich.edu). Current students, faculty, and staff visit us through CentralLink.