

University of Nevada Las Vegas Shooting December 7th, 2023

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Please note there is no current press release from the Governor regarding the shooting.

Office of the Mayor

Office of the Mayor Carolyn G. Goodman 495 S. Main St. Las Vegas, NV 89101 (702) 229-6011 City of Las Vegas > Government > Mayor & City Council > Mayor (lasvegasnevada.gov) Carolyn G. Goodman (@mayoroflasvegas) / X (twitter.com)

12/6/23 – Social Media Post

"There is a reunification center in the aftermath of the UNLV shooting at the North Hall of the Las Vegas Convention Center 1 & 2, 3150 Paradise Road, Las Vegas, NV, 89109. Call 702-455-AIDE (2433) or Visit: <u>Family Assistance Center</u> <u>of Nevada (facofsouthernnevada.org)</u>

Please avoid the UNLV area."

University of Nevada – Las Vegas

4505 S. Maryland Pkwy Las Vegas, NV 89154 (702) 895-3011 <u>University of Nevada, Las Vegas (unlv.edu)</u> <u>UNLV | Las Vegas NV | Facebook</u> <u>UNLV (@unlv) / X (twitter.com)</u>

UNLV | Student Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

CAPS is currently offering both in-person and telehealth support for any student. To access support from Student Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS), please contact 702-895-3627 or <u>caps@unlv.edu</u>. You may also visit: <u>Services | Student</u> <u>Counseling and Psychological Services | University of Nevada, Las Vegas (unlv.edu)</u>

UNLV faculty and Staff are encouraged to contact their EAP through ComPscyh (833) 475-1995. They can also visit: <u>Employee Assistance Program | Human Resources</u> <u>| University of Nevada, Las Vegas (unlv.edu)</u>

"President's Message - Dec. 6, 2023, 7:31pm Dear UNLV Community,

Today is a tragic day for UNLV. It is with the utmost sadness and grief that I am writing to you about a shooting that took place late this morning on our campus – our home. We're all still in shock as we process the unfathomable event. Members of our community lost their lives and others were injured. My heart aches for our UNLV family. I know all of us are sending our love and support to the victims, their families, and friends during this difficult time.

While the investigation remains active at this time, what we know is this. At approximately 11:45 a.m. on Dec. 6, University Police Services issued an alert to shelter in place following a report of shots fired in Frank and Estella Beam Hall on UNLV's Maryland Pkwy campus. Officers worked swiftly to tend to victims and to identify and contain the suspect, who is confirmed deceased. There is no longer an active threat to the UNLV campus. A family reunification and assistance center has been established at the Las Vegas Convention Center, North Hall 1 and 2. Mental health support services and other resources are currently available there. Call 702-455-AIDE (2433) or visit Family Assistance Center of Nevada (facofsouthernnevada.org) for more information.

All classes and academic and academic-related activities, as well as UNLV performing arts activities are canceled through Sunday, Dec. 10. UNLV Health (Medicine) clinical practice and dental practice will be open for patient care. All faculty and staff should work remotely Thursday and Friday and check with their supervisors for further guidance or with any questions. Some staff may be asked to work from the office depending on their job function. We are currently evaluating campus operations for next week and will update faculty, staff, and students accordingly after a further assessment is made.

We are also working closely with law enforcement to allow faculty, staff, and students to have access to campus to pick up personal belongings and other needed items later this evening, and a notification text will be shared with the campus community. We have been informed there will be no access to Beam Hall, the Flora Dungan Humanities building, the Student Union, Wright Hall Buildings A, B, and C, and the UNLV Book Store until further notice. We are also working to get students back into their campus housing accommodations this evening, and ensure they have access to food and other essential services. Please watch for future notices or visit UNLV.edu for the latest official updates. Student Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS) will be providing crisis support services to students both in-person and via telehealth beginning tomorrow, Dec. 7. Please contact 702-895-3627 or caps@unlv.edu to access support services.

In addition, the Student Health Center and Faculty and Staff Treatment (FAST) Center plan to be open with full healthcare services available. Please call 702-895-3370 for more information. UNLV faculty and staff are also encouraged to use the Employee Assistance Program.

I am incredibly grateful to the countless first responders from University Police Services, the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, Clark County Fire Department, and all emergency responders and medical personnel for their immediate and dedicated response. Their actions today were brave, heroic, and indicative of the strength and resilience of our community.

I also commend our students, staff, and visitors, who heeded the call to shelter in place on our main campus while officers responded and subsequently went from building to building to ensure everyone's safety.

We will forever remember and honor those we have lost and who were injured. I'm grieving for the victims of today's senseless shooting, and my heart breaks for the many students, faculty, staff, parents, loved ones, and community members who suffered through hours of painful uncertainty while officers ensured that our campus was safe and secure again.

UNLV is strong and UNLV is resilient. Our community of faculty, staff, students, and alumni will pull together to support one another in this time of crisis. Know it's okay not to be okay at this dark time. Ask for help if you need it. You are part of an incredible community and together we will pull through.

Sincerely, Keith E. Whitfield, Ph.D., President"

Local Mental Health Crisis Line

Crisis Support Services of Nevada Call 1-800-273-8255, or text CARE (2273) to 839863 Clark County | Mental Health Resources

Local Police Department

University Police Services 4505 S. Maryland Pkwy Las Vegas, NV 89154 (702) 895-5575 <u>University Police Services | Facebook</u> <u>Contact | University Police Services | University of Nevada, Las Vegas (unlv.edu)</u>

United Way/211 Information and Referrals Lines

These information and referral lines may know of additional resources currently providing assistance, such as food pantries, clothing closets, emergency shelters, and agencies offering financial assistance. Please call and provide your zip code and demographic information in order to receive referrals.

Nevada 2-1-1 Call 211 or (866) 535-5654 Text your zip code to 898-211 Nevada 211 Health and Human Services | Helping Nevadans

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

(800) 273-8255 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline - Call. Text. Chat. (988lifeline.org)

Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration Disaster Distress Helpline

(800) 985-5990

National mental health helpline that is available to those who have experienced a natural or human caused disaster. The helpline is available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. The counselors can provide support and referrals to local resources.

Suggestions for Meditation and Breathing Apps

- Able To (Self Care) Available for iOS and Android
- Insight Timer Available for iOS and Android
- UCLA Mindful Available for iOS and Android
- Smiling Mind Available for iOS and Android
- Stop, Think & Breathe Available for iOS and Android
- Headspace Available for iOS and Android
- Calm Available for iOS and Android
- Simple Habit Available for iOS and Android

Helpful Articles and Resources

- National Institute of Mental Health
 Coping with Traumatic Events
 <u>NIMH » Coping with Traumatic Events (nih.gov)</u>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) "Coping with a Traumatic Event" <u>Coping with a Disaster or Traumatic Event (cdc.gov)</u>
- American Psychological Association "How to talk to children about difficult news" How to talk to children about difficult news (apa.org)
- American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Disaster and Trauma Resource Center (aacap.org)

Free Help Line

Optum, a leading health and behavioral health services company, is offering a free emotional-support help line.

The toll-free number, 866-447-3573, will be open Monday-Friday, 8am-8pm Central Time. The service is free of charge and open to anyone. Specially trained Optum mental health specialists help people manage their stress and anxiety so they can continue to address their everyday needs. Callers may also receive referrals to community resources to help them with specific concerns, including financial and legal matters.

Along with the toll-free help line, emotional-support resources and information are available online at: <u>https://www.liveandworkwell.com</u>.