

JURISDICTIONAL AND INTERAGENCY SUPPORT  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
AND MISSION POLICE DEPARTMENT

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WHEREAS, The Texas Education Code, Section 51.203 confers on commissioned peace officers of state institutions of higher education, jurisdiction in all the counties in which property is owned, leased, rented, or otherwise under the control of the Institution, and

WHEREAS, The Texas Local Government Code confers on commissioned peace officers of the City of Mission, jurisdiction within the city limits and for certain purposes throughout the county.

BE IT THEREFORE AGREED AS FOLLOWS: That the South Texas College Police Department (STCPD) and the Mission Police Department (MPD) shall abide by the following articles:

ARTICLE 1:

STCPD will assume primary jurisdiction within property owned, operated, rented or leased by South Texas College within the City of Mission (STC jurisdiction site), and MPD shall retain concurrent jurisdiction. In the absence of STCPD, MPD shall have primary jurisdiction.

ARTICLE 2:

MPD will retain primary jurisdiction within the City of Mission outside of property owned, operated, rented or leased by South Texas College.

ARTICLE 3:

STCPD may exercise police powers outside of STC property as required by and/or authorized by law. MPD may exercise police powers within STC property located within the City of Mission as required and/or authorized by law and as further set forth herein below.

ARTICLE 4:

The department exercising primary jurisdiction will have on scene incident command.

ARTICLE 5:

Follow-up investigations will be conducted by the department having primary jurisdiction of the incident.

ARTICLE 6:

Federal Clery Act Compliance

- A. Pursuant to the Federal Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, postsecondary schools are required to disclose statistics for certain crimes that occurred on campus and on public property within and immediately adjacent to school-owned buildings and property.
- B. STCPD is required to disclose statistics that are reported to the department as well as to local and state law enforcement agencies.
- C. The STCPD will provide subscription to the STC Emergency Alert System, for the MPD Chief of Police and his designees to ensure timely sharing of information regarding public safety alerts.

ARTICLE 7:

It is expressly understood and agreed that, in the execution of this agreement, no party waives, nor shall be deemed hereby to waive, an immunity or defense that would otherwise be available to it against claims arising in the exercise of governmental powers and functions.

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South Texas College

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Norie Gonzalez Garza  
Mayor  
City of Mission

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Ruben Suarez  
Chief of Police  
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Cesar Torres  
Chief of Police  
Mission Police Department

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