

## **Policing/Safety Workgroup**

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This working group came up with several recommendations but narrowed it down to two. If the inclusion council would like to see our notes, we would be happy to share.

### **Recommendation #1: Transparency/ Profile of UMBC police department.**

Focus:

- a. Disseminate more information to the UMBC community regarding what the police department does
- b. Improve availability of data, visibility of data to campus community
- c. Improve web page and information/ data available there/ Access

Methods:

1. Surveys, town halls, benchmark against other USM, other regional institutions?
2. Improve data collection, create standard reports
3. Devise effective ways to represent / visualize the data
4. Improve/ update website
5. Increase number of ways students can interact with police

### **Recommendation #2: Community policing / Presence of Police on Campus**

Focus:

- a. Emphasis on building a relationship between campus police and UMBC community.
- b. Redefining the idea of policing.
- c. Comfort level vs. Fear.

Methods:

1. Exposure to campus police in IHU classes or First Year Experience.
2. Liaison positions for students within campus police dept.
  1. Have liaison students then create outreach programs
3. Explain what community policing is (e.g., video) to bridge knowledge divide about what community policing is, what it looks like, and what we want it to be at UMBC.