



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

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PLEASE GIVE
OUR REF. NO.
1914000001

October 28, 2021

Dr. Adela de la Torre, President
San Diego State University
5500 Campanile Drive
San Diego, CA 92182

Dear Dr. de la Torre,

The San Diego Police Department's (SDPD) Sex Crimes Unit is actively investigating an alleged sexual assault and rape of a minor. The victim is not a San Diego State University (SDSU) student. The investigation is in the early stages; however, we believe the incident occurred off-campus, in the City of San Diego. Preliminary information leads us to believe SDSU students might reside at the house where the incident occurred.

SDPD is in the process of conducting a criminal investigation, which includes using a variety of investigative techniques to gather evidence and witness statements. These investigations are complex and require a great deal of time, nuance, and attention to detail. The goal is to gather a comprehensive collection of facts to determine if criminal activity occurred.

SDPD understands SDSU takes these allegations seriously and intends to fulfill its obligations under Title IX, including an administrative investigation. In this specific case, any administrative investigation, such as conducting interviews, prior to the completion of the criminal investigation could compromise SDPD's criminal case. Given the early investigative stage, SDPD respectfully requests SDSU temporarily delays its administrative investigation. It is our hope that SDSU will cooperate with SDPD to ensure the criminal case is not compromised.

If you have any information that would help our investigation including tips or possible witness information, we would appreciate it being shared with the SDPD Sex Crimes Unit Commander, Lieutenant Carmelin Rivera at crivera@pd.sandiego.gov.

Respectfully,

Paul Connelly, Assistant Chief of Police
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