# OF PROPERTY THEFT ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES

National Bike Registry

#### **QUICK FACTS**



1,500,000

College students whose bikes are stolen each year



**53%** 

Chance a four-year college student's bike will be stolen



\$350,000,000

2013 FBI estimated total of college bike thefts

## BIKE THEFTS REPORTED TO CAMPUS POLICE

In a survey conducted by the National Bike Registry, it was found 11 out of 100 bikes were stolen on a college campus. Only **2%** of stolen bikes were locked with a U-bolt lock.

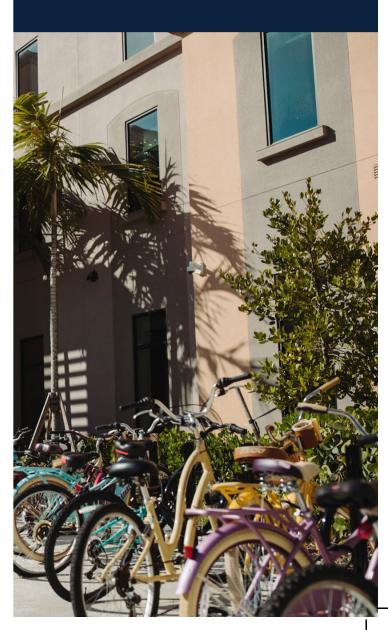
The Campus Safety and Security team takes these statistics seriously.

We hope this guide can help keep our community safe and deter bicycle thefts from occurring at PBA.



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# Bicycle Information



#### **REGISTER YOUR BIKE**

#### Free registration No expiration Non-transferrable

All vehicles on the university's campus must be registered with Campus Safety and Security. Parking registration for scooters, mopeds and bicycles is FREE, and decals do NOT expire. Please note that decals are not transferable.

### TO REGISTER, VISIT GO.PBA.EDU/PARKING

#### **HOW TO REGISTER**

- Select the bicycle decal type
- Enter your contact information
- For vehicle information:
  - Select "Bicycle" for type
  - Add make/ model and year, if applicable
  - Select the most-accurate color
  - Please input the bicycle's serial number, which is often located on the bottom of the bike's frame, as the VIN

Once all other prompts are completed, your registration will be complete. You will not need to provide any payment method.

Upon completion, please allow 24-48 hours for processing. Your bicycle decal will be ready for pickup from the Campus Safety and Security Office, located at 1301 South Olive Avenue.

#### **USE A U-BOLT LOCK**

All bicycles on campus must be secured with a U-Bolt style lock.



When you register your bicycle with PBA, you may request that a U-Bolt lock be provided to you free of charge.

#### **HOW TO USE A U-BOLT LOCK**



Ensure that you use the U-Bolt lock on your bicycle's frame, not the wheel. Some bikes are built with quick-release wheels that can allow your lock to be easily removed.

Never use a cable lock by itself—these can be quickly cut without raising suspicion, even during daylight hours with others walking nearby.

#### **IMMOBILIZATION**

Bicycles which are improperly secured or which are found without a PBA decal are subject to being immobilized to help deter bike theft.

#### **ROAD SAFETY REMINDERS**

- Protect your head. Always wear your helmet.
- Obey all traffic laws and lights. Bicyclists must follow the rules of the road, like all other vehicles.
- Be visible. If riding your bike at night, make use of headlights and taillights. Consider wearing reflective or bright clothing which makes it easier for drivers to see you.
- Use hand signals to alert drivers of your when you are turning.

#### LOST/STOLEN DECAL

Report any lost or stolen decals to Campus Safety and Security as soon as possible. To reclaim your bicycle, you must visit the Campus Safety and Security office in person with a valid PBA ID card. After ensuring your bicycle is registered online, you must complete a Bicycle Release Form.

#### WINTER/SUMMER STORAGE

Campus bike racks are for use during the school year only. If you are planning to leave your bicycle on campus during a Christmas break or Summer term, you may request to store it in the gated bike storage at Baxter Hall. Depending on availability and student interest, keys may be issued for those using this storage option.

All bikes stored inside Baxter Hall's gated area must be registered and secured with a U-Bolt lock.