### When to Call for a Welfare Check

#### What are Welfare Checks?
Welfare checks are made when concerned citizens fear for the safety of anyone they believe may be in mortal danger. In situations where you suspect that a student is in imminent danger, you can request a welfare check from CSUF Police Department.

#### When to call CSUF Police Department to initiate a welfare check for a student

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<td>- The student’s conduct is clearly and imminently reckless, disorderly, dangerous, or threatening, including self-harm behavior</td>
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<td>- Making an imminent/immediate threat to harm themselves or others</td>
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<td>- Student conveys a plan (how they would hurt themselves) and a desire to end their life</td>
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<td>- The student might not have a plan but might be currently in the act</td>
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<td>- Some examples include: Standing on bridge (other high structure), have knife in hand, has bottle of pills near them, has access to a gun, access to rope, intention to use household chemicals for self-harm</td>
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Please note, if the student is actively engaged in substance use (alcohol, marijuana, or any other drugs) this can significantly increase a student’s risk of actually hurting themselves.

If possible, please have the following ready when calling CSUF Police Department:
- student’s address
- date of birth
- CWID
- phone number
- brief description of who we are contacting (male/female, race, age, height, weight, hair color, clothing if in view)
- any prior history of suicidal threats or acts
- if off campus, who they live with or what type of vehicle they drive

#### Have more questions or confused on how to respond?

- Please call CAPS 24 hours a day (657) 278-3040 to speak with a CAPS Counselor and they will help you to figure out what the next steps are.
- For instances of suspected Domestic Violence/Intimate Partner Violence, Suspected Child Abuse, Suspected Elder Abuse, or Suspected Dependent Adult Abuse please call CAPS and speak with a counselor to talk about options.
- With regards to above situations, if you believe student or anyone is in immediate danger, please call CSUF Police Department.

*If you feel that you do not have enough time for this consultation call, then please call CSUF Police Department.*

#### Helpful Phone Numbers

**Initiate a Welfare Check:**
Call CSUF Police Department
Non-Emergent (657) 278-2515/Emergent 911

**Safety Concerns Questions:**
Call Counseling & Psychological Services (657) 279-3040

**General Questions:**
Call Dean of Students Office during regular business hours (657) 278-3211