

ACTS OR THREATS OF VIOLENCE

ACT OF VIOLENCE

If you are the victim or witness of an assault or other act of violence, call **911** immediately. If necessary, request immediate medical services; if you are unsure if medical services are needed, tell them you are unsure. When an act of violence occurs, the location of the act becomes a crime scene; do NOT disturb any evidence.

THREAT OF VIOLENCE

A threat of violence may be an implied or perceived threat. **Call 911 immediately if a threat seems immediate.**

In certain circumstances it may be more appropriate to call the **UNT Police** at their non-emergency number, **940-565-3000**, as soon as safely possible. These instances include:

- If the threat is not immediate. Describe the individual and details of the threat to the dispatcher.
- If the threat was made electronically. Be sure to retain the record; do not destroy it.
- If the threat was made by phone, contact the **UNT Police** using a different phone line if possible; take note of the caller's voice characteristics and background noises.
- If you are unsure but need police guidance for more information regarding a threat.

Ask an associate or other individual in the area to call for you if it is not safe for you to contact the police.

When dealing with a threatening individual:

- Let the individual know (if you are speaking with them) that you are there to help them.
- Appear calm in your motions and voice.
- Distance yourself if it is safely possible – get behind a closed, locked door if able.