



NEWS RELEASE

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Swatting Call at Claremont McKenna College

Claremont, CA – On Thursday, March 13, 2025, at approximately 4:44 p.m., the Claremont Police Department received a phone call from an unknown subject calling in an emergency. The caller told dispatch they were in a restroom on the Claremont McKenna College campus, holding someone captive and threatening to harm them. They also stated they had a bomb and were going to walk around with a rifle and shoot anyone they saw on the campus.

Claremont Police Department Officers, along with personnel from La Verne, Ontario, and Upland Police Departments, arrived to investigate the call. Extensive searches were conducted of the Claremont McKenna College campus and other college buildings on the nearby Claremont Colleges campuses. Law Enforcement personnel did not locate anyone with a weapon, and no victims were located. There were no signs of any active shooter. Extensive resources were used in response to the call for service, which was later determined to be a false report or “swatting call.”

Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact the Claremont Police Department at (909) 399-5411.

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