

SAFETY & SECURITY TIPS FOR VISITORS

Philadelphia is a welcoming and inclusive city and one of the most walkable in the country. As in any big city, it is prudent to follow basic safety precautions while out and about.



GENERAL SAFETY TIPS

- Remove your conference badge when walking around town.
- Safety in numbers: Explore the city with a friend or colleague.
- Walk with purpose and in well-lit areas and on main streets.
- If alone after dark, use a ride service such as Lyft, Uber or a cab.
- Put the address and phone number of where you're staying in your phone.
- Be aware of your surroundings and keep your eyes up and not on your phone.
- If something doesn't feel right, walk in to a business/hotel for help.
- Be careful and alert when using a cash machine.
- Carry your purse or wallet safely. Purses should be closed, held in front of your body. Wallets should be carried in a front pants pocket or in an interior jacket pocket.

HOW TO HELP

An alternative to engaging panhandlers, we recommend that you make a small donation to one of the high impact charitable organizations in Philadelphia that work to address homelessness and its associated issues.

PROJECT HOME

Philadelphia's largest non-profit that delivers services to the homeless builds houses, provides education programs, facilitates medical care and offers job placements and workforce development programs. The organization runs the city's homeless outreach dispatch. To request help anywhere, anytime. 215-232-1984.

projecthome.org/donate

@ProjectHOME

BROAD STREET MINISTRY

Provides daily meals, a mailing address for those without a home, clothing, personal care items, legal services, plus medical, psychiatric and behavioral help services.

broadstreetministry.org/donate-now/

@BroadstreetMin

BETHESDA HOUSE

Provides emergency shelter, permanent, supportive and independent housing to Philadelphia's homeless.

bethesdaproject.org/give2

@Bethesda_Proj

PHILABUNDANCE

The Philadelphia region's largest hunger relief organization acquires and distributes food to help feed those in need, and advocates for policies that increase food access.

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@Philabundance

Philadelphia Public Safety Contacts - Emergency Line: 911
SEPTA Transit Police: 215-580-8111 to report suspicious activity

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