Dear Faculty, Staff and Students:

The University recently completed its work with local government agencies to assign street addresses to every University building in an effort to improve 911 emergency service response times. Standardized street addresses will allow any emergency service – including those beyond local public safety agencies – to quickly locate campus buildings when responding to a 911 call.

Every campus building now has a standardized street address, which we are asking everyone to learn and use, especially in times of an emergency.

Suggestions to assist you in learning and using your street address include:

1. When addressing mail, ADD your street address.
2. Update your website(s) with your street address.
3. Update your stationery and business cards with your street address when new orders are submitted.

Street addresses will provide future benefits, including improvements to navigation and way-finding for the University community and visitors. We anticipate third party navigation availability through Google and similar services to begin in 2016. Please refer to the following website, http://maps.umd.edu/addressing, for additional information, including Frequently Asked Questions.

I’d like to thank Facilities Management’s Department of Facilities Planning, the University of Maryland Police Department and University Marketing and Communications for their contributions to this initiative. If you have any questions regarding addressing, please contact Mary Kate Bland, Project Manager, at umdaddresses@umd.edu.

When seconds matter in an emergency, a street address can make a difference in response time. Please learn your street address and use it in times of an emergency.

Sincerely,

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