

**On 6/25/2013 at approximately 10:30 p.m. a Vanderbilt graduated student reported an attempted robbery. The grad student and a friend were sitting at the bus stop at 17<sup>th</sup> Ave South and Edgehill Ave, when a blackmale approached them, pointed a handgun at them and demanded money. The student and his friend stated that they did not have any money. The three then walked to the CVS Pharmacy located at 21<sup>st</sup> Ave. S. and Scarritt Pl. to withdraw money from an ATM inside the store. When the student and his friend entered the pharmacy, the suspect stayed outside. They told the store clerk to call the police. The suspect ran from the area away from campus. Both VUPD and MNPD officers responded and searched the area.**

**The suspect is described as black male, approximately 18-20 years of age, 5'10-5'11, 140 lbs, wearing a blue/white plaid hoody, gray or light color jeans, Nike athletic shoes. He was last seen running down the alley between 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. S. and 21<sup>st</sup> Ave. S.**

**If you have information about this or a similar incident, please call The Vanderbilt University Police Department at (615) 322-2745**

#### **Risk Reduction Tips**

- **If strangers approach, maintain a distance and be observant; if they are in a vehicle, get the license plate number**
- **Avoid Isolated or dark areas.**
- **Scan the area before you exit or approach your vehicle / or building and while your proceed between sites.**
- **Have your key ready in hand to quickly access the door of your vehicle/or building**
- **Report any suspicious persons to VUPD. Be prepared to describe the person as best as you can.**
- **Know the location of emergency phones.**
- **Avoid going to ATM's alone, after dark, or if suspicious persons are nearby.**