Staying Safe on Public Transit  
- From the Metro Public Safety Department

Here are some quick tips to remember to help you stay safe as you travel around town:

1) **Always be aware of your surroundings.** Staying alert is the easiest way to avoid any issues when riding the Metro transit system. So while you’re enjoying your time reading a book, listening to headphones, talking or texting friends on your phone, be sure to keep an eye and an ear open to what’s happening around you.

2) **Keep your valuables secure, especially your cell phone.** Keeping your valuables out of sight is the best way to ensure they don’t become an easy target. When sitting on the train or bus, try to keep your purse, bags or other belongings on the opposite side of your body, away from the aisle, so they aren’t easy to grab.

Don’t loan your phone to strangers, and keep it on silent or vibrate to not draw any unwanted attention. For added security, protect your cell phone with a pass code.

3) **Remember, there is safety in numbers.** Try to travel with a friend or in group whenever possible. If you need to travel alone, always try to stay close to other passengers heading in the same direction.

**Contact the Metro Public Safety Department – 314-289-6873.** Metro Public Safety is available around the clock if you ever have any type of concern while riding the Metro transit system. Don’t hesitate to speak with one of the uniformed officers you see on the system, or call our dispatch office at 314-289-6873 for assistance (call 911 if there is an emergency).