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**Policy: Mutual Aid**

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This policy provides guidelines when the University Police Department has to deal with a situation that has or is taxing the Department's ability to handle the matter. The State's assistance policy to local government in major disorders and unusual occurrences is to support local law enforcement with State resources after local and adjacent government aid has been reasonably committed, or whenever the magnitude of the emergency is such that the best interest of the State will be served by the involvement of State resources before the commitment of all local agencies. This Department participates in mutual aid agreements and will assist area agencies in those incidents where the local agency lacks the resources and has made a request for assistance to this Department. When it is recognized that a local problem is exceeding or soon will exceed the ability of the Department to handle the situation, the Department will request mutual aid assistance from other law enforcement agencies in the area.