As the weather gets nicer and we become more comfortable with our surroundings, we tend to forget some basic safety guidelines. The Department of Public Safety in partnership with the Office of Residential Life would like to provide some safety reminders. One of the easiest things we can do to safeguard ourselves and our personal property is to lock our doors. Here are some friendly reminders when it comes to locking your doors, handling your room keys, and student ID card:

LOCK YOUR DOOR – It is the single best deterrent to keeping you and your property safe.

LOCK YOUR DOOR – Even if you are only going to the bathroom or into the room next door.

LOCK YOUR DOOR – It only takes a few seconds for someone to walk into an open room and steal your belongings.

LOCK YOUR DOOR – Always keep your keys and ID on your person and never allow others to borrow these items.

LOCK YOUR DOOR – Never prop doors open or allow people to follow you into a space or residence hall. They may not have the best intentions or be authorized to be in that space/building.

LOCK YOUR DOOR – If you lose your keys and/or ID, please notify the Office of Residential Life and the Department of Public Safety.

**Most of the thefts in the residence halls at the University of Hartford are considered larcenies. Larcenies are crimes of opportunity and occur when property is unlocked and unattended. To avoid this, the Department of Public Safety makes the following suggestions:

- Avoid bringing large amounts of cash or other valuable items to campus.
- Keep items of value out of sight.
- Never lend your key or student ID to others.
- When leaving for vacations or breaks, take all items of value home with you.
- Download the LiveSafe app, which allows constant communication with Public Safety: