

VCU POLICE DEPARTMENT



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What is the Access Control System?

VCU is contracted with Security Technologies Group (STG- formerly Sensormatic Electronics Corporation) a world leader in electronic security, and the Official Electronic Security Supplier for the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta. STG is a fully integrated supplier of electronic security systems for retail, commercial and industrial markets. They are also leaders in the security industry in integrated Source Tagging - a process where consumer goods manufacturers apply anti-theft labels at point of packaging or manufacturing.

Why would I want to consider it for my department / building?

Installing the latest security technology will provide the necessary safety for your students, faculty, staff and visitors while in your facility. The security systems installed by STG meet the safety standards set by the VCU Police Department's Crime Prevention Division.

What are some other benefits of this system?

- ✓ Only persons who have been issued a VCU Card and have been granted permission by YOU can gain access to your areas at the times you designate.
- ✓ It replaces keys with a documented computer based key card system.
- ✓ When a card is lost or stolen, it is replaced and removed from the system. This means there are no keys floating around and no locks to be changed.
- ✓ You will know who uses your building and when. You can receive records as needed of persons that use the site.
- ✓ The system is designed to guide people in a planned direction in and out of your building. This will reduce the access of your building by strangers or non-authorized personnel.
- ✓ The system will electronically lock and unlock your building/area at times that you specify.
- ✓ If a crime does occur after hours in your facility, the VCU Police Investigation team will have information regarding persons who were in the building at the time of the incident. There are more potential witnesses to a situation, thus a higher probability of solvability.

What will it cost me?

- ✓ Cost of STG equipment and labor.
- ✓ Cost of any 110 electrical outlets, fire panel connections and telephone/fiber lines needed.
- ✓ Any door changes that may be needed to facilitate proper installation or necessary signs.
- ✓ Ongoing costs include:
 - ✓ Monthly telephone/fiber fees.
 - ✓ Monthly management/monitoring fees.
 - ✓ Maintenance Agreement.
- ✓ Removal of any previous system (depending on systems).

Who do I contact for a survey and estimate?

Lt. Grant Warren of the Crime Prevention Division at 828-1214 or Sgt. Paul Walker of the Office of Access Control at 828-8387.