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**Subject:** Incidents in Medway-Sydenham Hall

Dear Medway-Sydenham Hall residents,

I am writing to you as you may have heard rumours regarding incidents of gender-based or sexual violence in Med-Syd. We are currently following up with information that has come forward and will be utilizing campus and community resources such as Campus Safety and Emergency Services and London Police Services as needed. We wish to ensure that follow up occurs with anyone who has experienced harm. Please reach out to a Residence Life Coordinator for support.

If you have been impacted or have witnessed an incident of gender-based violence, you are encouraged to share information by emailing [rlc\\_medsyd@uwo.ca](mailto:rlc_medsyd@uwo.ca) if you have not yet spoken to a Residence Life Coordinator.

In the case of an emergency or an immediate safety concern happening in the moment, please reach out for support by contacting the Medway-Sydenham Hall front desk at 519-661-3983 or Campus Safety and Emergency Services at 519-661-3300.

Remember to take care of yourself, each other, and this place as you continue to engage in OWeek activities.

As you continue to navigate your new environment in residence, please know that there are numerous resources available to help support you and your community:

- Gender-based Violence and Survivor Support [https://www.uwo.ca/health/student\\_support/survivor\\_support/index.html](https://www.uwo.ca/health/student_support/survivor_support/index.html)
- Residence Counselling offers free counselling services to students who live in Residence. They provide short-term confidential counselling to help students manage a variety of mental/emotional challenges and promote healthy living. You can access them by emailing [needtotalk@uwo.ca](mailto:needtotalk@uwo.ca) at any time to arrange to meet with one of our Residence Counsellors.
- Front Desk: At any time that you require crisis or urgent support please connect with the front desk (519-661-3983) to speak to a residence staff member or Residence Life Coordinator.
- Help Lines:
  - Good2Talk: 24 Hour Student Helpline – 1-866-925-5454
  - CMHA Crisis Services – 519-433-2023
  - CMHA Support Line (non-crisis) -- 1-844-360-8055
- CMHA Online Chat - [reachout247.ca](https://reachout247.ca)

Sincerely,

Jacob Clarke

Residence Life Coordinator