# Bomb threats are usually reported via telephone. If you receive a bomb threat via telephone:

- Take the caller seriously.
- Ask a lot of questions.
- Take notes on everything said and heard, including background noise, voice characteristics, etc.
- Keep the caller on the line as long as possible by asking questions.
- If the caller hangs up do not use the telephone on which the threat was received.
- Call security immediately after call from another telephone, or ask another person call the police immediately. Security Control Center: x44320 or (909) 558-4320.
- Notify supervisor or department head.
- Incident Commander and Security will determine if you need to evacuate. If you do evacuate, move to your evacuation relocation point to check in.
- Do not re-enter the building until instructed to do so.
- Do not search for the explosive device or touch any unusual or suspicious objects.

### Questions to Ask the Caller

- 1. When will the bomb explode?
- 2. Where is it?
- 3. What does it look like?
- 4. What kind of bomb is it?
- 5. What will cause it to explode?
- 6. Why was it placed in the building?
- 7. Did you place the bomb?
- 8. What is your name?

#### **Observe the Caller**

Try to identify the following about the caller:

- 1. Caller's gender.
- 2. Approximate age.
- 3. Voice characteristics, accents, etc. Is the voice familiar?
- 4. Background noises.
- 5. Treat language educated, incoherent, foul, taped, read, etc.

#### Suspicious Package/Mail

If you receive a suspicious package, letter, or object under any circumstances, do not touch it, tamper with it, or move it. Report it to Security immediately, x44320 or (909) 558-4320.

## **Suspicious Package Characteristics**

- **Origin** Postmark does not match the city of the return address, name of the sender is unusual or unknown, or no return address given.
- **Balance** The letter is lopsided or unusually thick, the letter or package seems heavy for its size.
- **Contents** Stiffness or springiness of contents; protruding wires or components; oily outer wrappings or envelope; feels like it contains a powdery substance.
- Smell Particularly almond or other suspicious odors.
- Writing Handwriting indicates a foreign style not normally received, cut-and-paste letters or rub on block letters are used. Common words, titles or names are misspelled.