

# Section II: Cooperation with Law Enforcement Authorities

The University cooperates fully with law enforcement authorities. Therefore, violations of the *Code* that are also violations of federal or local law may be referred to the appropriate non- University law enforcement authority. Proceedings under the *Code* may be carried out prior to, simultaneously with, or following civil or criminal proceedings. Determinations made or sanctions imposed under the *Code* shall not be subject to change because criminal charges arising out of the same or similar facts were dismissed, reduced, or resolved in favor of the criminal law defendant.

The Howard University Department of Public Safety (HU-DPS) works closely with local law enforcement agencies, particularly the Washington, DC Metropolitan Police Department (MPD). However, Commissioned HU-DPS Officers have full powers of arrest, search and seizure on all University-owned and operated property and are usually the first to respond to calls for police services on campus. However, complainants may request that MPD respond to any reported offense or incident that may violate the law.