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SECURITY

STRENGTHENING PHYSICAL SECURITY

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PRIMARY SECURITY THREATS

- **Fire: The #1 Threat**
 - Prevention is the foundation of protection.
 - Focus on daily fire code compliance and "common sense" prevention.
 - Beyond patrols: Eliminating daily hazards and documentation violations.
- **Additional Critical Threats**
 - Natural Disasters
 - Theft and Terrorism
 - Intentional & Unintentional Damage (Vandalism/Accidents)



THE REALITY OF THEFT PROTECTION

- **The "Internal" Factor**

- Surveys show over 90% of losses are attributed to internal or internally-related theft.
- The Golden Rule: Security protocols must apply to everyone (Trustees, Directors, Curators, and Security Staff).

- **Personnel Screening Protocols**

- Mandatory pre-employment background screening.
- Consistent, professional screening processes.
- Post-employment criminal history checks (long-term tenure does not guarantee current compliance).



LAYERED PROTECTION STRATEGIES

- **Outer Perimeter Defense**
 - Comprehensive lighting and police/security patrols.
 - Intrusion detection systems and video surveillance.
- **Access & Egress Control**
 - Supervised egress points.
 - Strict package inspection policies.
- **Rules of Conduct**
 - Published rules to prevent intentional and unintentional damage.
 - Must be conspicuously posted and available to all patrons.



SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM MAINTENANCE

- **Core Inspection Areas**

- Hardware: Cameras, DVR/NVR, storage, and networking equipment.
- Software: Firmware updates and secure access protocols.

- **Performance Goals**

- Elimination of blind spots and malfunctions.
- Ensuring adequate storage and clear video quality.

- **Proactive Monitoring**

- Utilization of automated alerts for recording failures or low-quality feeds.



SECURE STORAGE & SPECIALIZED CABINETS

- **High-Security Cabinet Features**

- Construction: Heavy-gauge welded steel with reinforced frames to prevent prying or structural warping.
- Locking Mechanisms: Multi-point locking systems (three-point or more) using electronic keypads, biometric scanners, or high-security mechanical locks.
- Environmental Control: Integration of specialized gaskets and seals to protect against dust, pollutants, and water ingress from sprinkler activation.



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- **Best Practices for Asset Security**

- Anchoring: Secure cabinets directly to the floor or wall structure to prevent unauthorized removal of the entire unit.
- The "Two-Person" Rule: Implementing dual-authentication protocols for high-value asset storage, requiring two authorized individuals to gain access.
- Inventory Integration: Utilizing RFID tagging or internal sensors to track asset movement in real-time.



SECURE STORAGE & SPECIALIZED CABINETS



○ Visibility & Layout

- Avoid placing artwork directly under overhead water pipes.
- Ensure all artwork/displays are positioned within the direct line of sight of surveillance cameras.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS & PATRON MANAGEMENT

- **Policy for Unruly Patrons**

- Formal procedures for ejecting individuals who violate rules or refuse direction.
- Goal: Protect staff/patrons and reduce litigation risks.

- **Staff Training**

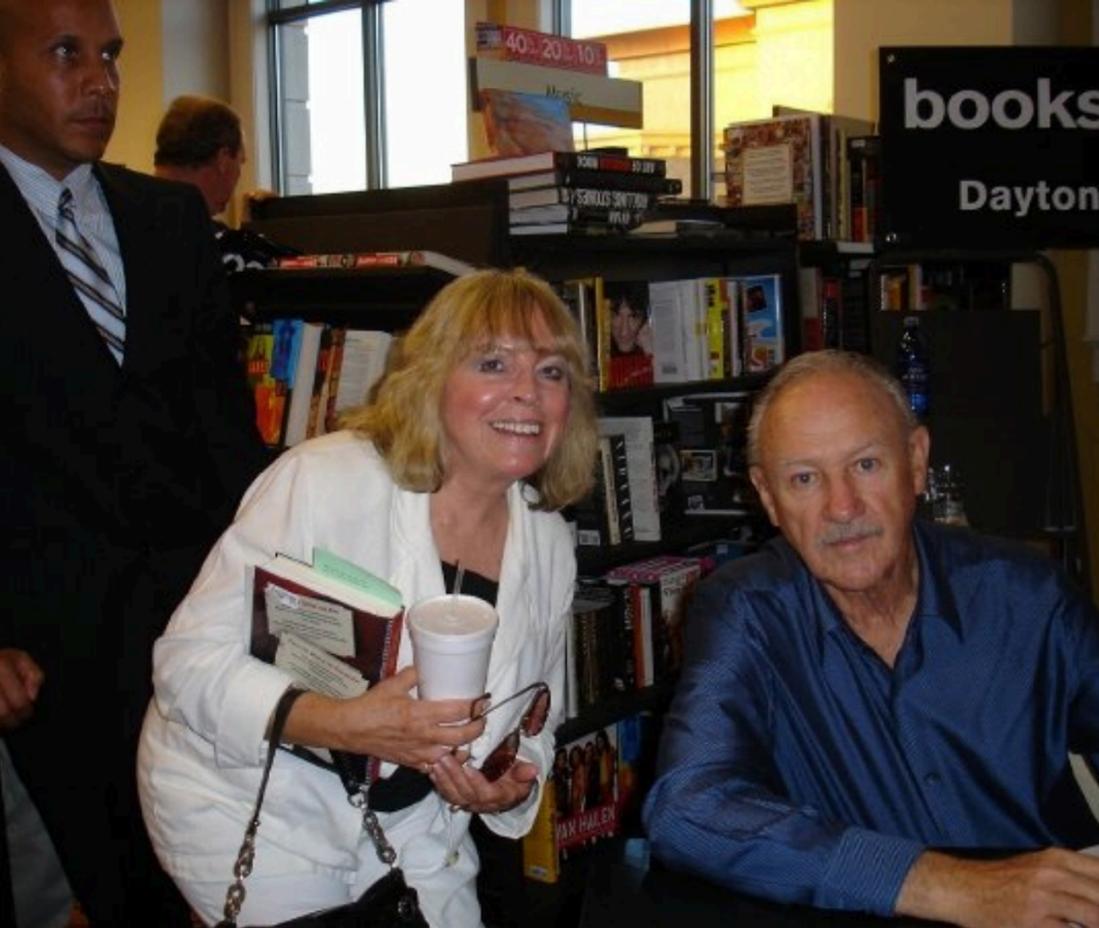
- Policies must be "more than just writing."
- Staff must be familiar with procedures to ensure fair treatment and personal safety.

- **Emergency Operations Plan (EOP)**

- Integration of all primary threats into a unified response strategy.







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CONCLUSION & SUMMARY

- **Consistency is Key:** Security is only as strong as its weakest link (or person).
- **Vigilance:** Continuous maintenance of systems and background checks.
- **Safety First:** Protect the collection by protecting the environment and the people within it.



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Q&A

