SOUNDTHINKING™

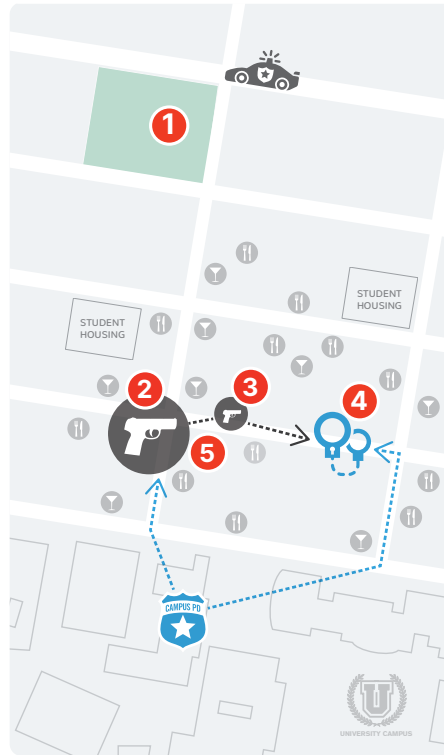CAMPUS SHOOTING — CASE STUDY

ShotSpotter® for Campus Helps Keep World-Class West Coast University Safe

LOCATION

WEST COAST, U.S.

PRODUCT USED

ShotSpotter®

A late night shooting incident in a popular bar area near a world-class West Coast university was swiftly contained and two suspects apprehended thanks to coordinated efforts by campus and city police, aided by ShotSpotter® for Campus.

The shooting occurred Saturday, shortly after campus bars and restaurants had closed. Thousands of students live in the area.

1 **2:40 AM** A nearby city police officer hears shots fired and then radios dispatch: "*Shots fired. Sounds like it came from the park.*" Officers begin to proceed in the direction of the park. **The park is several blocks from campus.**

2 **2:41 AM** Campus police receive a ShotSpotter alert indicating 14 shots fired at a precise location two blocks from the park where the city officer mistakenly believes the shooting occurred. Campus police radio the correct location.

3 Nine seconds later, another ShotSpotter alert indicates two shots fired. **The actual location is only One block from campus.**

4 **2:43 AM** Campus and city police speed to the ShotSpotter alert location in time to collect evidence and interview key witnesses before they disperse.

5 Using witness descriptions, police arrest a second suspect within a few hours. **Medical personnel treat victims. Injuries sustained are not life-threatening.**

The ShotSpotter Gunshot Alerts Enabled

☑ **Faster response to the shooting incident**

☑ **Accurate location of gunshots**

☑ **Law enforcement to arrive on the scene in time to interview witnesses, leading to quick apprehension of suspects**

☑ **Discovery and collection of shell casings at two shooting locations**

☑ **Immediate medical aid given to all three gunshot victims**

How Can Your Campus Benefit From Using ShotSpotter?

Request a consultation with one of our experts to find out how we can help you improve public safety in your campus.

REQUEST A CONSULTATION

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> *With this one event we certainly got our money's worth out of ShotSpotter.*

— Campus Police Chief