

United States Embassy Lusaka, Zambia
Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Security Reminder
April 14, 2014

The U.S. Embassy would like to inform U.S. citizens of a reported increase in crime in Zambia. Reports indicate that many residential neighborhoods throughout the country continue to experience an increase in crimes against both people and property. Carjackings, assaults, and burglaries continue to occur in neighborhoods across Zambia and affect both foreigners and Zambian citizens alike, although U.S. citizens have not been specifically singled out by reason of their nationality.

The U.S. Embassy also continues to receive reports of vehicles being struck by rocks while traveling along Leopard's Hill Road in Lusaka. The most recent incident allegedly occurred on April 4, 2014 at approximately 11:30 p.m.

Although the majority of reported incidents occur in Lusaka, crime may occur anywhere. The overall crime threat in Zambia remains high, and we remind you to take normal precautions to ensure your personal security.

Please contact the local police and notify the U.S. Embassy if you are a victim of a crime. The local equivalent to the "911" emergency line in Zambia is 999. Police response, particularly outside major cities, varies and may be delayed due to a lack of vehicles and other resources.

We strongly recommend that U.S. citizens traveling to or residing in Zambia enroll in the [Department of State's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program \(STEP\)](#) at www.Travel.State.Gov. STEP enrollment gives you the latest security updates, and makes it easier for the U.S. embassy to contact you in an emergency. If you don't have Internet access, enroll directly with the nearest U.S. embassy.

Regularly monitor the State [Department's website](#), where you can find current Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and the Worldwide Caution. Read the [Country Specific Information for Zambia](#). For additional information, refer to the ["Traveler's Checklist"](#) on the State Department's website.

Contact the U.S. Embassy for up-to-date information on travel restrictions. You can also call 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or 1-202-501-4444 from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal

holidays). Follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) to have travel information at your fingertips.

The U.S. Embassy in Lusaka is located on Ibex Hill and is open Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and on Fridays from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. The Consular Section can be contacted at 0211-357-000 or via email at ACSLusaka@state.gov. If you are a U.S. citizen in need of urgent assistance, **the emergency number for the U.S. Embassy is +260 (0) 966-877-805.**