## Ending Violence on Campus ... one green dot at a time.



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# Res Ed Toolkit

#### Dear Res Ed,

Thanks for taking the time to help! Finding a way to integrate green dots into campus life just got easier with this handy toolkit. The toolkit outlines several different creative ways you can live the green dot.

We understand your lives are tremendously busy and for that reason, among others, we appreciate your willingness to partner the Office of Anti-Violence Initiatives (OAVI) to help reduce violence, improve safety, and thereby improve the quality of education available to all students attending TCNJ. In an attempt to minimize stress that can often be associated with pledging your time or effort to a worthy cause, we have compiled this toolkit for you. As professional or student staff, and members of the Residence Hall Association or National Residence Hall Honorary, you will find the tools you need to actively spread green dots throughout the residential community and across campus.

What exactly is the green dot? The green dot represents any moment, big or small, that either directly or indirectly helps reduce the prevalence of violence on TCNJ's campus. While it certainly can, living the green dot doesn't necessarily require steadfast, overarching commitment or participation in activities that are involved and time-consuming. You can help live the green dot by creating opportunities for residential students to learn about or further explore how power-based personal violence affects us all.

# With many thanks, OAVI

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## **Floor Meetings & Committees**

Floor meetings offer perfect opportunities to point out the importance of developing and maintaining healthy relationships amongst roommates, friends, and floor mates. During these meetings, featured topics could include campus police and security, college partying, and communal living arrangements. Use these conversations as a jumping off point for mentioning signs that would indicate potentially dangerous situations and green dot interventions.

Some CAs, especially in the FYE area, develop floor committees for birthdays, floor spirit, etc. Each resident, therefore, has the chance to experience a leadership role on their floor. These committee members can be seen as popular opinion leaders on their floors and can be invited to attend a Violence Intervention & Prevention (VIP) training in support of the Green Dot initiative.

Consider taking a few minutes to mention how CA one-to-ones with residents and communal living arrangements can support healthy co-habitation, and the resources available on campus and in the community when safety is compromised (ie: OAVI, Student Conduct, Student Health Services, Counseling and Psychological Services, etc.).

## **Program Ideas**

Group activities and programs can be fun, interactive and educational. Host programs like those offered by the Student Anti-Violence Education (SAVE) Peer Educators:

- Healthy Relationships
- Bystander Intervention
- The Gender Blender

Collaborate with campus and community partners to discuss legal issues, campus security, and diversity. CAs could build on these messages and make connections to Green Dot by sharing examples of inclusive conversations and interventions posted as green dots on the campus map at www.tcnj.edu/greendot.

Or take advantage of a social program to include Green Dot messaging.

- While watching a sporting event, encourage discussion on objectifying commercials
- Play Green Dot Bingo during half time.
- During a cooking program, bake green dot cookies.

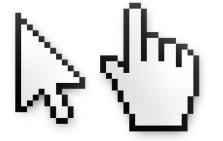


## On the Web

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The internet is a valuable resource for providing information to your residents and is a great venue for increasing awareness at violence prevention. Spread the Green Dot message on social networking sites (i.e. such as Twitter, the TCNJ Sophomores blog, and fan pages or floor groups on Facebook). If you're a student, try putting Green Dot info on your own Facebook page!



If you are a member of the staff, use the Staff Only Section of the Res Ed Website as a place to provide additional ideas and resources for staff relevant to Green Dot.

Spreading green dots may be as simple as sending an email! Help spread green dots by adding a green dot support statement to your e-mail signature line:

- "Green Dot supporter"
- "Live the Green Dot. Keep our campus safe."
- "No one has to do everything, but everyone has to do something. Live the Green Dot."
- "So, what's your Green Dot?"
- "Do you know about Green Dot?"
- Find out how you can help stop sexual assault, domestic violence, and stalking. Live the Green Dot.
- "What kind of campus do you want? Live the Green Dot and help end violence."
- "Add a Green Dot to our campus!"



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## **Reinforcing the Message**

### **Door Tags**

What if students who reported a green dot could get a green dot door tag to hang on their door? Include general information on the tag and a personalized "thank you" note acknowledging their contribution to a safer community

The door tag recognizes the individual for their intervention and support, but it also sends a message that the room is a green dot room that won't tolerate violence on campus.

### Intramurals

Use intramural sports as an opportunity to promote a healthy balance between competitiveness and good sportsmanship. Enhance a sense of community by encouraging residents to cheer for their team in a way that acknowledges their skills and avoids degrading opponents.

### **SYE Passport Program**

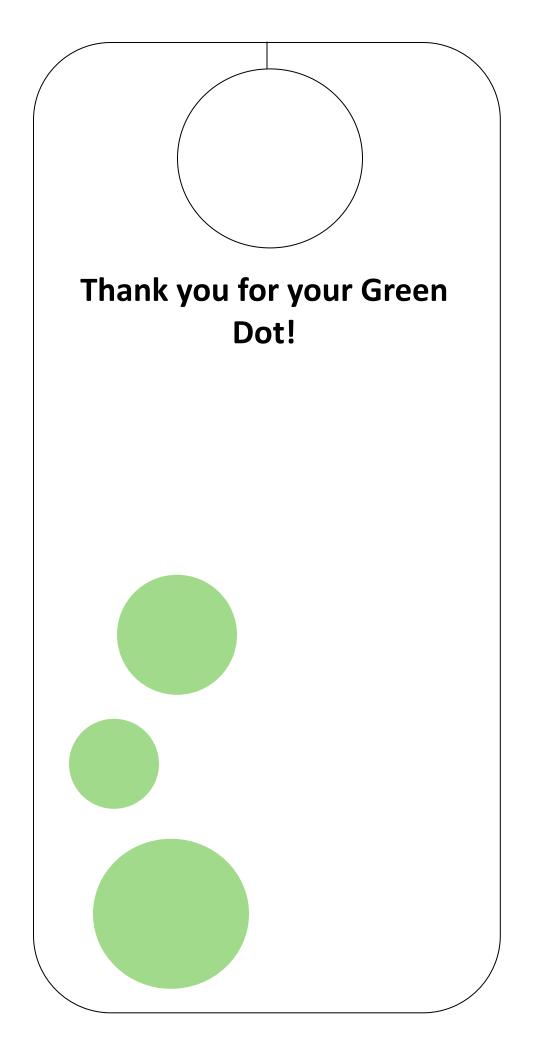
The Sophomore Passport Program provides recommended resources and programs to help sophomores enhance their academic experience. Students could receive "credit" for reporting a green dot or attending certain events.

### **Mural Painting**

The hallways of many of the residential buildings are decorated with mural paintings by students. Encourage them to paint murals promoting a safe campus community using green dot symbols!

#### **Giveaways**

At community development events, giveaways are very popular. Try handing out magnets, trinkets, etc. that show appreciation for making our community safer, or create Green Dot-oriented arts and crafts (ex: picture frames).



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#### CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE: WWW.TCNJ.EDU / GREENDOT