Jeanne Clery was 19 years old when she was raped and murdered in her college dormitory. Her parents, Connie and Howard Clery, could not have known the danger she was in; standards for campus crime reporting simply did not exist in 1986.

So the Clerys put into motion transformative change on two important fronts.

On Capitol Hill, they lobbied for revolutionary policy changes that would eventually take form as the Jeanne Clery Act. Educators, families, and legislators could have an open dialogue about campus safety for the first time in our country’s history.

Connie and Howard also worked with allies and advocates to form a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that would seek to prevent the kind of violence that had taken Jeanne from them. Today that organization, Clery Center, remains dedicated to guiding institutions of higher education to implement effective campus safety measures.

The colleges and universities we serve understand that a safe campus is critical to their institutions’ success. By creating a more transparent culture, they foster the trust of prospective families and ensure an environment that encourages students’ academic and emotional security.

**WHAT IS THE JEANNE CLERY ACT?**
The Clery Act is a consumer protection law that aims to provide transparency around campus crime policy and statistics. The Clery Act requires colleges and universities to report campus crime data, support victims of violence, and publicly outline the policies and procedures they have put into place to improve campus safety.

**WHAT DOES CLERY CENTER DO?**
When institutions of higher education seek guidance on campus safety regulation, they turn to Clery Center.

We are a national nonprofit dedicated to helping college and university officials meet the standards of the Jeanne Clery Act. By equipping professionals with the training and resources they need to understand compliance requirements, we strive to make campus safety a universal reality.

Campus safety only starts with Clery Act compliance, so we work with educators and legislators every day on new initiatives to build the kinds of communities college students and employees deserve.

**PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES**
- National Campus Safety Awareness Month
- Kristin’s Krusade: Dating Violence Prevention
- Hazing Prevention & Education
- Campus Fire Safety Awareness
- Office on Violence Against Women Campus Grant Program

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