TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Press Release

Scam Alert

The Paradise Valley Police Department is aware of the ongoing telephone scam in which members of the public are receiving calls by someone pretending to be a police officer. The scammer may have information such as your name and address and say there is a warrant out for your arrest, you missed a court date, or you owe money. The scammers often use names and badge numbers from the police departments they are pretending to be calling from and use technology to fake the phone number that shows up on the caller ID, making it appear as though the police department or a local number is calling you. The scammers may try to get bank account information, gift cards, money orders, or other forms of payment or information, Police Departments do not call to collect money.

If someone calls you to ask for money- ask for their name, company, call back number, and hang up. If the caller does not want to give you a call back number, and insists you stay on the phone or says they will call you back, that is likely a scammer. Search the phone number for the company or agency they are claiming to be with and call that number directly to confirm if the call is legitimate, never call a number they give you.

If you gave money or sensitive information to a scammer you can contact us at 480-948-7410 to file a report."

Engage your neighbors and ask if they know about the #NineOClockWalk Campaign.
Making a nightly habit can help us change the face of crime prevention. Help keep your neighborhood crime-free. End crime by walking it out. Search #NineOClockWalk on social media for safety tips and schedule your annual Home Security Review by contacting Community Resource Officer Jimmy Phan at bphan@paradisevalleyaz.gov

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