



## BOONE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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### Media Release

Incident: Scammers "Spoofing" BCSD Telephone Number In Fraud Scheme  
Location: Unknown  
Date & time: 9/29/18-10/1/18  
Case Number: N/A

#### Details:

The Boone County Sheriff's Department has been receiving telephone calls from citizens in other states reporting a scam where the caller identifies themselves as a deputy and asks for money to post bond for a jailed and injured relative.

The suspect has been able to manipulate the citizen's caller ID, which is known as spoofing, to make it appear the call is coming from (573) 875-1111, the department's main telephone number. So far there have been no reports of anyone being scammed out of money.

**THE BOONE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**  
**NEVER CONTACTS CITIZENS BY TELEPHONE ASKING TO**  
**PROVIDE MONEY OR PAYMENT FOR ANY REASON!**  
**CITIZENS SHOULD ALWAYS BE SUSPICIOUS OF ANY**  
**TELEPHONE CALLERS THEY DO NOT KNOW! IF YOU**  
**HAVE ANY DOUBT – HANG UP!**

Release date & time: 10/1/18 @ 1400 hours  
Release authorized by: Det. Tom O'Sullivan, #5040

