



## BOONE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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### Media Release

Incident: Scammer Impersonating Sheriff's Detective  
Location: Boone County  
Date & time: 12/21/2018  
Case Number: N/A

#### Details:

The Boone County Sheriff's Department received information today (12/21/18) about citizens reporting a detective calling them on the telephone threatening arrest for failure to appear for jury duty. **THIS IS A SCAM!!!!!!!!!!!!**

The scammer identified himself as Detective Sullivan or Detective O'Sullivan and told one citizen a payment of \$1,700 was required to cancel an outstanding warrant.

The Sheriff's Department **NEVER** contacts citizens asking them to provide debit/credit card information over the telephone or to obtain money cards to pay a fine or cancel a warrant. Citizens who receive such a call should immediately hang up and contact law enforcement at 3-1-1.

***SCAMMERS ARE ABLE TO MANIPULATE CALLER I-D DEVICES AND MAKE IT APPEAR THE CALL IS ORIGINATING FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.***

***CITIZENS SHOULD ALWAYS BE SUSPICIOUS OF A TELEPHONE CALL FROM SOMEONE THEY DON'T KNOW AND NEVER GIVE OUT PERSONAL OR FINANCIAL INFORMATION TO SUCH A PERSON!!!!!!!!!!!!***

Release date & time: 12/21/18 @ 1150 hours  
Release authorized by: Det. Tom O'Sullivan, #5040

