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Public Information Bulletin

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## Phone Scam

Recently perpetrator(s) have targeted individuals associated with UF claiming to be actual employees of the Alachua County Sheriff's Office. The phone scam is usually some version of, "hey, you missed jury duty/court/etc...and now you must pay a 'cash bond'," or something similar to that. The perpetrator(s) are telling you to pay with a gift card over the phone in order to not get arrested. Even asking for a copy of your driver license and social security card to be texted to them. **THIS IS A SCAM.** Perpetrator(s) sometimes even spoof the non-emergency number to the 911 Combined Communications Center. But it is fake. The Sheriff's Office and other trusted law enforcement agencies do not solicit funds or threaten arrest over the phone.

If you have any questions about this scam, call the non-emergency Alachua County Sheriff's Office at 352-955-1818 or Call the University of Florida Police Department at (352) 392-1111.

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