Media Release: Beware of Phone Scammers Posing as Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office Officials

Baltimore, Md. (June 24, 2022) - The Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office is again receiving numerous complaints from citizens regarding phone scammers. The tech-savvy scammers reportedly have the capability to appear as the Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office on your caller ID. Posing as officials from the Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office, the scammers falsely claim they are attempting to clear an arrest warrant or clear someone who has failed to appear for jury duty, by collecting money. The Baltimore City Sheriff’s Office will NEVER contact anyone by phone and request monetary payment of any kind.

The scammers also provide pay accounts such as: Apple Pay, Cash-App, Venmo, etc., or similar means, to steal funds from potential victims. Some of these individuals, posing as Sheriff’s Office personnel, have been so bold, as to invite their potential victims, to meet them at the courthouse. If you receive such a call, note the information given, including the number displayed on your caller ID, and hang up. Never give any personal or financial information to unknown callers. If you wish to report a fraudulent phone call, please contact your local police agency or dial 911.

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