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Sheriff's Office Responds to Multiple Phone Scams

Hanover, VA – The Sheriff's Office has received multiple calls from our citizens in regards to a phone scam. This scam is reoccurring in Hanover County where an unknown person(s) is contacting unsuspecting citizens claiming to be a representative with the Hanover County Fraternal Order of Police. The unknown person is claiming they are raising money for a "Shop with a Cop" event.

Multiple citizens have received this call. Furthermore, the unknown person(s) is indicating that if the citizen wishes to donate money, a "retired officer" will meet them in person.

The Sheriff's Office has spoken with the Fraternal Order of Police and verified they are not currently conducting a fundraiser. This is a SCAM.

Also as a reminder, the Hanover County Sheriff's Office will never contact a citizen soliciting funds.

Criminals will prey on unsuspecting citizens and attempt to legitimize their call by saying they are with a reputable organization and even spoof county telephone numbers. If you ever have any question as to the identity of a caller representing themselves as an employee of the Sheriff's Office or any other reputable organization, please contact the Hanover County Sheriff's Office immediately.

If you are a victim of a recent scam related to this particular event, contact the Sheriff's Office at (804) 365-6140.

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