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## **LCSO Warns of Fraudulent Telephone Calls**

The Leon County Sheriff's Office has received several reports from citizens concerning a recent fraudulent telephone scam.

LCSO has learned the telephone calls appear to be originating from the agency's main telephone number of (850) 606-3300. The caller requests money for fees to clear the citizen of past outstanding fees related to vehicle registrations and money to clear up outstanding warrants. LCSO reminds citizens no agency member will ever contact anyone and request payment for a warrant or other fees over the telephone.

Please contact the Sheriff's Office at (850) 606-3300 with any information regarding these types of telephone calls.

Here are some tips for avoiding being a victim to this fraudulent activity:

- Do not respond to texts, emails, or calls requesting money for personal information extortion or legal fees.
- Do not take telephone calls from unknown numbers or robocalls. Scammers will use these calls to obtain more personal information.
- Delete emails and do not respond to any requests for personal information from an unknown source.



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