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COMMUNITY ALERT

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FRADULANT PHONE CALLS BEING RECEIVED BY SOLANO COUNTY CITIZENS

The Solano County Sheriff's Office has received several calls from concerned citizens regarding phone calls they have received. The caller, who claims to be with the Solano County Sheriff's Office, is telling citizens that they have failed to appear for Grand Jury summons and must to pay \$2000.00. The caller has also told citizens that they failed to appear for the Grand Jury and now have a felony warrant issued for them. The caller goes onto say that if the citizen pays a fine the case will be dismissed.

The caller is asking that the citizen place the required money on reloadable, pre-paid Green Dot Visa, debit, or Mastercard. The caller is then asking the citizen for the 16 digit card number on the back of the Green Dot Card.

These calls are **fraudulent** and have no connection to the Solano County Sheriff's Office, the Solano County Grand Jury or any other law enforcement agency. Anyone who receives a phone call from someone demanding payment for an outstanding warrant should report the incident immediately to their local law enforcement agency as a crime. The calls appear to be coming from a phone numbers in the 707 area code.

Investigators at the Solano County Sheriff's Office are working to identify the person or persons responsible for making the calls. Citizens receiving these types of calls should attempt to save the phone number the call originates from and provide that phone number to law enforcement.

These phone calls are similar to calls that were being made in Ventura County in February of this year.

The Solano County Sheriff's Office does not call citizens who have outstanding warrants. The Solano County Sheriff's Office would never call citizens and ask for any personal information or money. Citizens should protect themselves and never give out personal information to anyone over the telephone or on the computer when prompted to do so. The Solano County Sheriff's Office also encourages everyone to shred all documents, containing personal information, prior to placing them in the garbage.

If you have any question I can be contacted at the phone numbers listed below.

Dedicated to Community Service

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