

County of San Bernardino Department of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS)

SCAM ALERT

Scam: Jury Duty Fine Collection Hoax Target: All Seniors

Some criminals are calling seniors and impersonating law enforcement and court officials. The scam artists may state that you or your spouse have failed to appear for jury duty and that a warrant has been issued for your arrest. The scam artist may threaten that you have a court hearing or that you or your spouse may be arrested at any time unless you pay a large fine over the telephone by giving them your credit card or bank information. Law enforcement officers do not serve warrants nor collect fines over the telephone. The court will always contact you by mail.

This is a scam, do not pay these criminals!

Scam artists are attempting to collect for false warrants!

Recommended steps for dealing with suspicious telephone calls include:

- Do not supply or confirm any personal information.
- Ask for the caller's name, employee or badge number and contact information.
- Locate a legitimate contact number for the court or police station using the telephone directory. Do not use the contact number provided by the caller!
- Call the court or police station and inform them of the call you received and verify that you have no outstanding issues.

If you think you may be a victim of a scam, contact San Bernardino County Adult Protective Services (APS) at 877-565-2020, or your local police department.