

ALARM SCAM ---On **Tuesday, 09/14/21**, at **1:00 PM**, the below listed subject came to the door of a resident in the **2100 block of Winding Way** and told the resident that he was there on behalf of the "My 360 Alarm Company" and that he was there to **change the battery and service the alarm system**.

This ALERT RESIDENT refused to let him into the house and he left. At this time the real purpose of this attempt to gain entry into the residence in unknown. The resident indicates that the same type of incident occurred to a relative in **another area** of Lincoln Hills with a **different alarm company**. A report was not made about that incident.

Beware that the imposter could pretend to represent **any company**.

Subject: "Southern European" Male, late 20's—early 30's, 5'10—11, Dark Hair, & Eyes, Slim Build, royal blue T-shirt, Jeans. He was carrying a clipboard and was wearing a badge on a lanyard but the blank side was facing out. The resident did not see a car.

The resident contacted her alarm company who verified they did not send anyone. The resident notified Lincoln Police and her Mailbox Captain called Curator Security (916 771-7185.)

IMMEDIATELY REPORT ANY PERSON OR VEHICLE THAT AROUSES YOUR SUSPICIONS. (EMERGENCY # 911; NON-EMERGENCY # 916 645-4040)

Never let strangers, unsolicited "inspectors" or solicitors into your home. Create a barrier between yourself and solicitors with a metal screen door, security door or talk through a window near the door. Before letting unscheduled inspectors or repairmen in, verify their ID with their employer.

When reporting a suspicious vehicle, try to obtain the license plate number and give it to the dispatcher when you call. It is also helpful to note the make and model of vehicle, color, age and direction of travel.

Neighborhood Watch Reminders

- Lincoln Police must have a report from the victim. If the suspect is in the area, you can call 911. Non-emergency 916 645-4040
- 2. After reporting to the police, notify Neighborhood Watch by one of these methods:
 - **Online incident report** prepared by victim or mailbox captain. The purpose of this report is to get the contact information of the victim.
 - Phone call to Barry Johnson, Lincoln PD Liaison, at 916 434-6538. He needs to interview the victim.
 - Email <u>alerteditor@sclhwatch.org</u>
 - Phone call to Mary Cranston at 916 434-5362. She will notify Barry.
- 3. Deny opportunities for theft by FULLY closing the front garage door and locking doors and windows.
- 4. Keep outdoor lights on at night to make your house look occupied and prevent a neighbor from stumbling in the dark.
- 5. The short list regarding scams:

Phone: Just Say NO & HANG UP; don't be polite, be smart!

Email: Check the address for the sender: does it match the "company"!

DO NOT CLICK ON LINKS from unknown senders, DELETE the email!

Online: Look for "https" at the beginning of the address or a padlock next to the address.

Use the phone number on your statement; do not search for it online.



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