

SUN CITY LINCOLN HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
SAFETY AND SECURITY

ALERTS



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You think it would never happen to you – until it does.

RED FLAGS FOR PHONE AND EMAIL SCAMS

- Urgent or threatening language
- Requests for personal information
- Payment via gift card
- requests for personal information
- link to a site that seems unrelated to the organization that contacted you
- Missing contact information in an email
- For more information download NW Scam Alerts Flyer [HERE](#).

SOLICITORS

There have been reports of various solicitors going through our villages. They may or may not be legitimate. We recommend keeping your windows and doors closed and locked when not in use. **Never open the door to a stranger.** Talk to them through the door or a side window. Once you open the door you lose that barrier of security. If the solicitor becomes aggressive, call the Police. Use the non-emergency number in this type of case: 916-645-4040.

BLACKMAIL ATTEMPT

A resident reports she received an email threatening to reveal illicit pictures of her on social media. The Scammer knew the resident's name and had a picture of her house. She was instructed to send a bitcoin payment to a person named Debra Castillo. The resident was not intimidated. She contacted the police to report this incident and deleted the email.

SCAMMERS ARE SCANNING THE INTERNET, FACEBOOK AND SOCIAL MEDIA

In this day and age, it is very easy for scammers to find our name and address – with photos, our phone number and family information. They can also obtain information about your friends, family and even your travel plans. **This is why you should be careful as to what you post and caution your relatives to also be careful about what they post on these websites.**

FASTRAK HAS ISSUED AN IMPORTANT CUSTOMER ADVISORY REGARDING NATIONWIDE TEXT PHISHING SCAM.

- California Toll Operators are ***advising drivers to disregard phishing texts being sent to their phones that detail a specific outstanding toll amount.*** <https://fastrak.org/>
- If you receive a text and are unsure, please contact the tolling agency in your region.
- If you receive a phishing text, please file a complaint at www.ic3.gov. This is a site dedicated to sharing information on Internet crimes across law enforcement agencies.

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