

TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION POLICE DEPARTMENT

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FINANCIAL CRIMES DIVISION

Family Scam Advisory

The Financial Crimes Division would like to alert community members to a scam which could, if you are not prepared, cause you to fall victim to.

Individuals have been receiving urgent phone calls or social media messages where the caller/ messenger pretends to be someone known to the receiver and/or threatens the receiver or a family member and/or tells the receiver not to tell anyone.

Key phrases used in phone calls and/or messages include:

- Send Money
- I Need Money
- Or for some other kind of trouble: Bail, Kidnapping, Ransom...

The caller will request money from the receiver by Wire Transfer, Prepaid Card, or instruct the receiver to go to the bank.

What can you do?

- 1. STOP: Don't let them rush you!
- 2. Call 911
- 3. Check it out: Look up the number, or call and check with family members.
- 4. Pass it on: Let friends and family know about these types of calls or social media posts.

VERIFY, VERIFY, VERIFY

- Is your family member safe?
- The safety and recovery of your family is our priority!

Report frauds and scams:

Conctact the Tohono O'odham Nation Police Department by telephone at (520) 383-3275

The financial crimes division requests that you file a police report to help establish that you may be a victim of a crime. The report will be useful if you experience financial issues from a scam.

You can aslo obtain additional information or report scams online at:

https://www.consumer.ftc.gov or at https://www.ftc.gov/complaint