

Sheriff



Larry Ashley, Okaloosa County Sheriff

1250 Eglin Parkway • Shalimar, Florida 32579-1234
Phone: (850) 651-7410 • Email: sheriff@sheriff-okaloosa.org

August 19, 2011

SCAM ALERT



The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office has received information that someone who identifies himself as an OCSO Deputy is calling local citizens on their cell phones and requesting personal information. The caller claims they need to verify information on a traffic ticket. The caller behind the scam attempt then tries to arrange payment over the phone. It appears the caller is spoofing one of the Sheriff's Office Dispatch numbers.

One resident says when he challenged the caller, the man refused to tell his name and threatened to issue a warrant for his arrest.

If you receive a call of this nature, please report it to the Okaloosa County Fraud Hotline at 850-651-7674.

If you have information about the individual behind the scam attempt, please contact the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office at 850-651-7400 or Emerald Coast Crime Stoppers at 850-863-TIPS.

###



The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office is accredited by the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation.

"The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office provides equal access and equal opportunity in employment and services and does not discriminate"