

Tax related phone scams hitting Washoe County

There is a new scam being reported by the Washoe County Sheriff's Department. Residents are getting calls from people saying they have been chosen to receive a grant for paying their taxes on time or for not having filed bankruptcy.

Fraudsters are instructing people to call and give the operator a "Grant Authorization Number," then the scammers ask for the person's checking account number so they can deposit the grant – and siphon your money.

Deputies suggest hanging up on the person and contacting local police.