



Detective Division – Area Three

Community Alert



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CREDIT CARD SCAM

About This Crime

Typically, a senior victim is contacted telephonically at home and told that one or more of his/her credit cards has been compromised. The offender then tells the victims that, in order to assist them, the victim must either surrender their credit cards or relate personal information, such as a social security number or credit account number over the phone in order to rectify the security breach. In the event the victim chooses to give up the credit cards, the offender tells the victim to place them in an envelope and an associate will pick them up.

About the Offenders

Offender 1 is a female – demographics unknown at this time

Offender 2 is a male black in his 20's. Height and weight undetermined at this time.

What Can You Do

- Do not give personal information over the telephone. If the credit card company calls, they will not ask for your social security number.
- Do not give your credit cards or card numbers to anyone.
- Hang up the telephone and contact police.

**If you have any information about similar incidents,
please call the Chicago Police Department's Area 3 Robbery / Burglary /
Theft Crimes Unit
at (312) 7444-8263.**

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