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**Press Release**  
**Scam Alert**

October 24, 2018  
3:15 pm

The Routt County Sheriff's has received two reports from citizens who have received phone calls that appear to come from our front desk (970)-870-5503. The caller leaves a message representing themselves as a Sergeant with the Routt County Sheriff's Office and advises the recipient that they have an urgent matter to discuss. They leave a callback number of 970-542-7101 which goes to an automated message claiming to be the Routt County Sheriff's Office. Neither reporting party has spoken to the caller personally at this time so it is unclear what the caller is attempting to gain at this time. Typical scams of this type usually request the recipient to wire bond money to the caller to bail a family member they claim to be incarcerated or they tell the recipient that they have a warrant out for their arrest and that the recipient of the call can clear the warrant up by sending bond money.

If you or someone you know receives a call from someone claiming to be from the Routt County Sheriff's Office requesting money, please use caution. These scams can sound very convincing. The Routt County Sheriff's Office does not call requesting bond money to be sent via mail or wire transfer. Call Routt County Communications, 970-879-1090, and request to speak with a deputy or come to our office during business hours to verify any calls you may receive.

Doug Scherar

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doug Scherar", written over a horizontal line.

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