

Lottery Scam

There is an organized crime group responsible for a lottery scam that is targeting the elderly. The potential victims are being contacted by telephone and told they have won a large sum of money in a lottery. They are told to send cash to pre-pay taxes and other costs. They are specifically told to put cash in an envelope and place that in a manila envelope and send it by Federal Express or UPS.

There have been several dozen victims in this scam.

If you receive any phone call or mailing indicating you won a large amount of money and need to send money to pay taxes it is probably a SCAM!

It is against Federal Law to participate in a Foreign Lottery!

If you think you may be a victim or have any questions please call the Holden Police Department at (508) 829-4444.

For further information on this type of scam and other scams out there please check the following websites:

www.ftc.gov

www.fakecheck.org

<http://postalinspectors.uspis.gov>