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The Sheriff's Office has been alerted to a potential problem with telephone solicitors. Several citizens have received telephone calls where the caller leads the homeowner to believe that they are with the Forsyth County Water and Sewer Department. The caller then attempts to make an appointment with the homeowner and says that they will need to come into the residence to do a water test.

**Some important information:**

- The Forsyth County Water & Sewer Department does not solicit over the telephone
- Water & Sewer Department personnel will be in a vehicle that is plainly marked
- Water & Sewer Department personnel will have County Identification on their person and almost never need to take a water sample from inside your home.

If you receive a telephone call of this nature, it may in fact be a person soliciting for a company. Solicitation over the telephone is not a crime, however if these folks begin going door to door in our neighborhoods, they may be in violation of our Soliciting Ordinance. As always, we recommend you never give person's you do not know your personal information over the telephone. We also recommend that you not allow people you don't know into your home at any time.

Be very observant of any suspicious or criminal activity in and or around your subdivision. If you see any suspicious activity, please call 911 immediately. For any other issues you can call the non emergency number into the 911 center at 770-781-3087. **As always, Liaisons, please call me or your liason with the Sheriff's Office with any issues or concerns.**

Thank you all for you participation in keeping our communities safe!!

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