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MEDIA RELEASE

Police Impersonator/Fraudulent Calls

For Immediate Release

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Case: JV2353055/SO2348316/SO2348583

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On October 24th, 2023 the Rock County Sheriff's Office investigated a report of a possible police impersonator making fraudulent calls. The caller stated he was a member of the Rock County Sheriff's Office and told the reporting person they missed jury duty. The caller said they needed to pay a \$500.00 cash bond or they would be arrested and taken to jail for 72 hours. The caller requested to be paid through Cash App and asked for other personal identification.

On October 25th, 2023 Janesville Police Department notified the Rock County Sheriff's Office of a fraudulent call where the caller stated he was Sergeant Greg Westness from the Rock County Sheriff's Office. The caller told the reporting person they missed jury duty summons and to pay a \$500.00 cash bond or a there would be a warrant for their arrest.

At no time will the Rock County Sheriff's Office call the public requesting them to pay a cash bond over the phone. The Rock County Sheriff's Office encourages the public to let their family and friends know about these scams, which are still under investigation. Anyone receiving calls of this nature is urged to report it to the Rock County Communications Center at 608-757-2244. People should always use caution and are reminded not to give personal information or pay monies via phone unless they can verify the source it's coming from.

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