



# COUNTRYSIDE POLICE

## CRIME ALERT

Date: May 31, 2016

Alert #: 16-003

## PHONE SCAM

**This information is being provided to make you aware of criminal activity that may be occurring in your neighborhood.**

On May 27, 2016, the Countryside Police Department took a phone scam report from a local business. The caller purported himself as Com Ed and informed the business owner that a \$5000.00 payment was late and if the payment wasn't made the businesses power would be turned off. The business owner was instructed to place \$5000.00 on to pre-paid visa cards and call back to supply the numbers. The business owner learned this was a scam and the caller was unsuccessful in completing the transaction.

Please be aware of this type of criminal activity and make every effort to verify the legitimacy of callers attempting to solicit money.

Any questions can be directed to the Countryside Police Department, 708-352-2171.

This information is being provided to make you aware of suspicious or criminal activity in the Countryside area. Please review this alert and take appropriate action. Any questions can be directed to Deputy Chief Scott Novak at (708)352-2171.

