



# COUNTRYSIDE POLICE

## CRIME ALERT

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The Countryside Police Department has been alerted to the following criminal activity in our area:

We have seen a dramatic increase in the use and passing of counterfeit currency in the surrounding area, especially in fast food restaurants. Offenders are making small purchases with older series, \$100 counterfeit bills with the intent to receive real currency as change. A vast majority of the bills are passing the “pen test” but are still found to be fraudulent by the bank. Please be cautious when accepting bills of this style.



Remember, any suspicious activity or doubts regarding the authenticity of currency can be reported to the Countryside Police Department by dialing 9-1-1.

**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.