



COUNTRYSIDE POLICE

CRIME ALERT

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

The Countryside Police Department has taken several reports relating to residents receiving fraudulent Illinois Department of Employment Security prepaid debit cards. Residents that filed police reports had never applied for unemployment or requested the cards, but they have received the cards in the mail with instructions on how to activate them. Upon activating the cards, the callers were asked for personal, identifying information. The cards in question are from KeyBank, similar to the one pictured below.

Convenient access to your funds.

Get started today with three easy steps.

To ensure you receive all the advantages of your new card:

1. **Activate** your card by calling 1-866-295-2955
2. **Establish** your 4-digit PIN for making ATM withdrawals and retail purchases
3. **Sign** the back of your card



If you have not applied for unemployment in the State of Illinois, and have received a pre-paid debit card, DO NOT activate the card, rather, file a report with your local police department.

For more information regarding this financial scam please see the following website;

<https://www2.illinois.gov/ides/SitePages/NewsArticleDisplay.aspx?NewsID=510>

Remember, any suspicious activity should 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 may be directed to Deputy Chief Scott Novak at (708) 352-2171.