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Knox County Warns Public About New Phone Scam

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— Knox County Government is warning the public of a new phone scam.

A number of people received phone calls on Wednesday from scammers who claim to work for the county's Benefit's Department and would like to meet in person with them or have someone come to their home to talk more about the matter.

So far, the scammers have targeted the elderly and people who do not work for county government. The county's Benefit's Department would not ask someone to meet at their home.

If residents receive such a call, the county requests that the person hang up and call either the Knoxville Police Department at 865-215-4010 or the Knox County Sheriff's Office at 865-215-2443.

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