

ALSIP NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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BEWARE OF TELEPHONE, MAIL AND ONLINE SCAMS OR ANY SOLICITOR SCAM

During this time of the year there are natural disasters that strike across the globe. After these incidents occur some form of relief campaign is needed. We wanted to remind you that whenever there is a major natural disaster or other disaster, scammers begin sending out charity relief scams and other scams almost immediately. Many scammers are very cunning, so being smart is *NOT* enough to protect yourself from dangerous Internet scams, frustrating spam mail, or deceptive Identity Theft. Use the following tips to help you.

Things to watch out for in any type of scam:

- Offers that sound too good to be true.
- Promises that you won money.
- Refuses to give you physical address for business office.
- Requests your personal or bank information.
- Use scare tactics & pressure to act *immediately!*



- Insists that you wire money.
- Gives you a check or money order and asks you to send or wire money somewhere after keeping some for yourself.
- Check with the National Fraud Information Center (NFIC) at: www.fraud.org or 800.876.7060 for valuable resources.

The Most Important Things You Can Do To Avoid Getting Scammed:

- Always use common sense. If you have a gut feeling that something isn't legitimate, you're probably right.
- Never respond to an email request for a donation, or any personal information request.
- Avoid falling for high pressure sales tactics.
- Don't respond to bulk emails.
- If you are told you won a prize, can make money, or borrow money easily, be skeptical.

If you wish to donate money consider making donations to established organizations like the American Red Cross or The Salvation Army.

Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over!

Illinois law enforcement is absolutely committed to reducing alcohol related traffic fatalities, and the Alsip Police Department is committed to helping.

Every 30 minutes, someone in America dies because of an impaired

driver & every two (2) minutes someone is injured.

The *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* impaired driving enforcement mobilizations take place during major holidays – times of year, when unfortunately, impaired

driving fatalities tend to be higher.

Please drink responsibly and help keep impaired drivers off our streets.

Resource:
www.drivesoberillinois.org

Burglary From Motor Vehicle

10-15: 12400 BLK LOVELAND ST.: Black Ford entered and no items taken; vehicle unlocked

10-15: 12400 BLK LOVELAND ST.: (2) vehicles entered and no items stolen; unknown offender

10-16: 11900 BLK MILLARD AVE.: Orange Chevrolet entered via smashed rear window; work gloves & children's toys taken

Lock Out Crime
– Protect your
home from
intruders

Use sturdy
doors

Use safe locks

Install a
viewfinder

Consider
window pegs

Secure sliding
glass doors

Consider
various outdoor
lighting options

Never allow
strangers into
your home

Put some
electrical
equipment on
timers

Burglary – Residential

None Reported

Criminal Damage & Defacement to Property

10-7: 12700 BLK LACROSSE AVE.: Front door lock damaged; unknown subject

10-13: 4300 BLK LINECREST DR.: Sections of wood fence damaged; suspect named

10-13: 11700 BLK LAVERGNE AVE.: Mailbox post damaged by unknown offender

10-11: 11800 BLK KOMENSKY AVE.: Front lawn damaged by named subject: MV Citation issued to offender

10-16: 11600 BLK KOLIN AVE.: Front window damaged & paint poured on porch; unknown offender

10-20: 11500 BLK VILL CT.: Red Suzuki parked in lot had paint scratched; unknown subject

10-23: 5500 BLK 127th ST.: Black Chevrolet rear window shattered while parked on street; unknown offender

10-25: 4400 BLK 116th PL.: Red Chevrolet rear window shattered while parked on street; unknown offender

Identity Theft Crimes

10-1: 12600 BLK CENTRAL AVE.: Victims personal information used to make purchase; suspect named

10-7: 3600 BLK DEER PARK DR.: Unknown offender used victim's personal information to apply for benefits

10-8: 11900 BLK LAWDALE AVE.: Victims personal information used to access account; suspect named

10-13: 4000 BLK 127th ST.: Victims personal information used to access account; purchases made

10-16: 5000 BLK 122nd ST.: Unknown offender used victims personal information to apply for benefits

10-19: 11900 BLK RIDGEWAY AVE.: Victims personal information used to access account; purchases made

10-19: 5800 BLK 125th PL.: Unknown offender used victim's personal information to apply for benefits

10-22: 12800 BLK ORCHARD LN.: Unknown offender used victim's personal information to apply for unemployment benefits

10-26: 12000 BLK LOCKWOOD AVE.: Unknown offender used victim's personal information to apply for unemployment benefits

10-27: 11600 BLK KNOX AVE.: Unknown offender used victim's personal information to open lines of credit

10-29: 4200 BLK 118th PL.: Unknown offender used victim's personal information to apply for benefits

10-30: 4300 BLK PARK LANE DR.: Unknown offender used victim's personal information for benefits

10-30: 3600 BLK 120th PL.: Unknown offender used victim's personal information to apply for unemployment benefits

Fighting Back Against Identity Theft

**Deter
Detect
Defend**

Safe guard your personal information

Routinely monitor your financial accounts and billing statements

Defend against ID Theft as soon as you suspect it

Visit AnnualCreditReport.com or call 877-322-8228, to order your free credit reports each year.

Motor Vehicle Thefts

10-13: 12500 BLK KEELER AVE.: Black Jeep stolen from residence; unknown offender; recovered

10-15: 11900 BLK MILLARD AVE.: Maroon Buick stolen from parking lot; unknown offender

10-19: 4100 BLK 127th ST.: Red Ford taken from parking lot; unknown offender; recovered

10-21: 4500 BLK 123rd ST.: White Cadillac stolen from lot while left running; Vehicle recovered & arrest made

Theft Over/Under \$500.00

10-15: 3800 BLK 124th PL.: Delivered package stolen from residence foyer

10-17: 4100 BLK 127th ST.: Victim had delivered packages stolen from residence

10-22: 11900 BLK RIDGEWAY AVE.: Delivered food package stolen from residence; unknown offender



Awareness is the Key to Your Safety.

VILLAGE OF ALSIP DIRECTORY

ALSIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

EMERGENCY.....911

Police Non-Emergency.....708-385-6131

Crime Prevention Unit.....708-385-6902 x249

Crime Free Housing Program.....708-385-6902 x249

Village of Alsip Departments

Building/Clerks/Water Department.....708-385-6902

Fire Department Non-Emergency.....708-385-6121

Health Department.....708-385-6902 x336

Public Works Department.....708-385-6902 x364

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Alsip Police Department 2020 Survey

NEED YOU TO TAKE 2!

The Alsip Police Department is conducting their annual Citizen & Business Survey. Completing a survey will take you less than two (2) minutes. Take this opportunity to tell us how we are doing. Even if you only work in Alsip, we would still like to hear from you.

Your feedback is important in our efforts to providing better services to the community.

Click on the link below to take the survey now!
<https://www.esurveyspro.com/Survey.aspx?id=cbf575b8-fc0f-453a-95a7-508b6aded572>

Don't have access to a computer?

You can request a 2020 Survey Form by calling **708.385.6902 Ext. 249** or email rmerlo@villageofalsip.org

or visit the Alsip Police Department and request one at the front desk window.

These forms can be completed by handwriting your responses and returning the survey to:

Crime Prevention Unit,
C/O Ofc. R. Merlo,
4500 W. 123rd St.
Alsip, IL 60803.
Deadline to submit survey is January 15, 2021.

Thank you for your input and support!

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