



NEWS RELEASE

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Potential Scam Artists in Area

Recent reports to the Bluffton Police Department indicate that a group or groups of scam artists may be operating in the area. The reports concern:

- An older white male in a silver truck soliciting to do low cost concrete work door to door.
- A younger white male in a black Expedition soliciting to do low cost or free carpet work door to door.

Both of these reports came in the historic district of Bluffton.

Although details are minimal, these types of incidents are consistent with travelling “gypsy” groups that travel the east coast. In addition to not doing the work as promised, these groups use the ruse of doing construction or home repair work to steal items from your home.

Residents should be wary of any of the following:

- 1- Door to door solicitations.
- 2- The promise of low cost or free work.
- 3- Statements such as “I was in the area doing a job and had leftover material”, or “my job go cancelled and I have extra material.”

Any reputable contractor would not be soliciting door to door and will be able to produce a Bluffton Business License.

Anybody with information or who sees this type of activity should call 911 and request the police to investigate.