



## Alpharetta Department of Public Safety

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This will end our series of reports every one to read in this posting as well. Again we do hope this has helped. You may contact us on Facebook at anytime if you have any further questions regarding these crazy scams.

**PANHANDLERS** – Many panhandlers, some of whom portray themselves as veterans, homeless, or stranded individuals, are not easy money playing upon the patriotism, generosity, or sympathies of compassionate. Caution should always be exercised when solicited for money by people on the street.

**CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS** – Scammers often pose as charitable organizations. Scams have posed as charities including children, veterans, churches, or religious organizations to enforce sympathies of caring Macon County residents. Make sure you donate only to reputable charities so that you know where your hard-earned dollars are going.

**HOME REPAIR FRAUD** – Scam artists, some of whom target primarily our senior citizens, will pose as handymen to do home repair, tree and brush sealing, or other services at your home. They request large down payments or payment in full prior to doing the work. Some will provide minimal substantial work while others take the money and run, never intending to return to do the work.



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