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**WARNING: LVMPD WARNS RESIDENTS NOT TO BE "TAKEN"
BY SOLICITORS POSING AS POLICE**

The holiday season is often the time for giving, but in many cases some people get taken. The Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department wants to prevent local residents from being scammed by unscrupulous solicitors.

The Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department wants to remind residents that the police department does NOT solicit money by phone or by going door to door.

In recent days and weeks, the department has received many calls to verify that the department is seeking money for different charitable programs involving women and children. We are not doing any solicitations.

Remember, never give cash or credit card information to anyone claiming to be soliciting on behalf of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department. If you believe that you are the victim of a scam by someone claiming to be associated with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, please report the incident.

Residents can always call 311 or the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department's Office of Public information at 828-3394 to verify if someone is affiliated with Metro.

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