

Residents across the country have been receiving phone calls from people identifying themselves as officials with Douglas County Department of Corrections in Omaha, Nebraska.

The people involved in this scam are sophisticated enough to have a Douglas County Department of Correction's phone number show up on caller ID. These scammers make the victim, usually an elderly person, believe they have a family member in jail and are demanding payment over the phone for bail.

THIS IS A SCAM – No government office WILL REQUEST MONEY over the phone. If you receive a phone call from someone who is demanding money and claiming to be from the Douglas County Department of Corrections, please hang up immediately. You may contact Corrections at 402-444-7400 if you have questions or have any information that may be useful in the investigation of this scam.