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From the Wadena County Sheriff's Office: Lately the Sheriff's Office has received complaints of scams and other types of fraud. These include phone calls and internet scams where funds and personal information are being requested. The Sheriff's Office receives approximately 1-2 complaints every other week. Most of the time the investigating Deputy learns that the complainant was cautious enough to not send any funds to the caller or give any personal information. By doing this the complainant is not a victim and the information is given to the investigating Deputy to be placed in a case file for possible future use. If the complainant is a victim the investigating Deputy will investigate the crime and may request the assistance of a Federal Investigating Fraud Task Force.

The Sheriff's Office is reminding all citizens to be cautious and when receiving suspicious phone calls or internet correspondences where money or personal information is being asked for. If you feel you were targeted by a scam or a victim of a scam, contact your local Law Enforcement Agency. The best thing you can do to not become a victim, is to stay educated on the changing schemes that are out there and talk with family and friends so all stay aware of this constant problem. One thing to remember, "If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is."