



POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF BURLINGTON

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The Burlington Police Department would like to warn the public about recent scam calls in which the caller pretends to be a kidnapper and the person kidnapped.

Today, officers received reports indicating a suspicious caller tells individuals that they have kidnapped their child and are seeking ransom money. If anyone receives such a call, please make an effort to contact your family members before calling the police.

The BPD would like to remind the public never to give out personal information or to pay money in response to unknown or suspicious callers. People are also encouraged to report suspicious calls to the Vermont Attorney General's Office using the information below:

- Vermont Attorney General's Office
Consumer Assistance Program
800-649-2424
ago.cap@vermont.gov
<https://ago.vermont.gov/cap/scam-prevention-through-awareness-and-education>

Information is preliminary and subject to change.

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