



Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office  
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## **MCSO WARNS OF SOCIAL SECURITY TELEPHONE SCAM**

**Milwaukee, WI (September 4, 2019)** The Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) is alerting the public to a phone scam. MCSO phone numbers are being used by scammers posing as Social Security Administration employees.

If you have received or believe you have received one of these fraudulent calls, you should report the calls to the Social Security Administration Office of the Inspector General at 1-800-269-0271 or online at [OIG.SSA.GOV/REPORT](http://OIG.SSA.GOV/REPORT).

The phone numbers scammers use mirror actual numbers, a concept referred to as "spoofing". Spoofing occurs when a caller deliberately falsifies the information transmitted to your caller ID display to disguise their identity. Spoofing is often used as part of an attempt to trick someone into giving away valuable personal information so it can be used in fraudulent activity or sold illegally.

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