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**J. Adam Shepherd**

**Press Release**

December 28, 2015

Sheriff J. Adam Shepherd would like to release the following information regarding a phone scam.

On December 28, 2015, the Gila County Sheriff's Office was notified that several people in Gila County had received a phone call from a subject who stated he was an employee with the Gila County Sheriff's Office. This subject would then claim that you would be arrested if you didn't pay court fines or that an arrest warrant would be issued for you. The caller will attempt to keep you on the phone trying to get you to make a payment.

Sheriff Shepherd would like to remind the public that the Sheriff's Office is not responsible for the collection of fines due to the court system.

Please take the following steps if you receive one of these phone calls:

- Ask who is calling? Get their name, call back number and agency they work for if possible.
- Call the Sheriff's Office at 928-425-4449, option 1, to report this activity to Dispatch

The Sheriff's Office is investigating the information that was received and is working on locating the perpetrator of the reported fraud.