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Flagstaff Area Financial Aid Scam

We want to bring to your attention a financial aid scam that hit Flagstaff last week.

According to the Flagstaff police report, a woman told officers around 4:15p.m July 25th. that she had received a call from a man calling himself "Mr. Anderson." He told her she had been awarded a \$7,000 federal grant for schooling, but would have to send \$230 for the processing fee. A Flagstaff PD officer called the number, but the person who answered hung up after learning the caller was a police officer. A different person identifying himself as the "Federal Grants Department in Washington, DC" answered when the Flagstaff PD officer called the number a second time, but hung up when the officer began asking questions. The investigation is ongoing.

Please note that the Office of Student Financial Aid regularly contacts students by email and phone but we NEVER will ask you to pay a processing fee to get financial aid. Also, if you ever have question as to who is calling you, please feel free to call us at 928-226-4219 to confirm.