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We recently received information that a citizen was contacted by telephone by an unknown male subject claiming to be collecting donations for the Winter Haven Police Department PBA (Police Benevolent Association). The citizen was concerned about the legitimacy of the call and contacted our agency.

Please pass on to your various audiences that the Winter Haven Police Department does not engage in any phone solicitation. The Winter Haven Police Department PBA does one annual fundraising mail out, but never calls citizens requesting donations. Anyone receiving phone solicitation from anyone claiming to be associated with the Winter Haven Police Department should assume that the caller has fraudulent intent and report the incident to local law enforcement authorities.

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