



# **PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT**

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### **Updated information regarding reported scam**

On January 27, 2023, The Sheridan Police Department issued a press release advising the community of a possible scam. The press release brought into question the legitimacy of a letter received by a community member. It was originally believed to be a possible attempt to scam our community members, using a legitimate organization. Recent information has indicated that the letter received was indeed from the National Police Association, a legitimate 501(C)(3) organization.

The National Police Association's website provides information about grants provided through their fundraising efforts to assist law enforcement. Our community should know that during my tenure as Chief of Police, the Sheridan Police Department has never requested or received grant funding from the National Police Association.

It is unfortunate that the perception of this fundraising effort has, according to the National Police Association, affected fundraising efforts due to the coverage that the first release obtained. All community members are encouraged to assess and investigate the legitimacy of any unsolicited requests for donations from any organization, regardless of their purpose or affiliation.

Chief Travis Koltiska

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**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL THE SHERIDAN POLICE DEPARTMENT AND ASK  
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