Service Repair Scam – Scammers have been attempting to enter potential victim’s homes by posing as utility, repair or service workers. The scammers usually work in pairs, claiming to need access to perform service, provide a repair, or verify equipment or service. Another tactic is where one scammer distracts the homeowner at the front door or outside the home, while the other scammer gains access to the home through a window or backdoor. Once the scammers have gained access into your home, one will distract you will the other takes your valuables or looks for personally identifying information that can be used to steal your identity. To help protect against becoming a victim, consider the following:

- Beware of anyone who comes to your door unannounced and attempts to distract your attention.

- Verify anyone and everyone claiming to be a utility, repair, or service worker. Before your attention is distracted and before you grant any access, ask for proper identification and contact the utility, repair or service company directly to verify the employee’s identify and confirm the home visit.

- If you feel like you have or have been a target of this scam, please immediately contact your local law enforcement agency.