



# *LARIMER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE*

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## *FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE*

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Subject: Search and Rescue Fraud  
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In recent weeks there have been numerous fraudulent attempts to solicit funds by people representing various organizations that do not exist or do not make requests over the phone. We have become aware of a number of instances in our community of a group soliciting donations and/or requesting access to non-public facilities under the pretense of being Larimer County Search and Rescue, Inc. This group(s) is not associated with Larimer County Search and Rescue, Inc. Larimer County Search and Rescue, Inc. is under contract with the Larimer County Sheriff's Office to provide the majority of search and rescue resources for the visitors and citizens of Larimer County.

Larimer County Search and Rescue, Inc. continues to rely heavily on community donations and does occasionally request use of non-public facilities for training purposes. However, you can always identify our members through the use of the LCSAR logo on their uniform and their LCSAR ID badge, which can be shown upon request.

If you are approached by anyone seeking a donation or requesting to use your facilities for "Search and Rescue", please take the time to verify the person's identity and their association with LCSAR. If it appears to be fraudulent please notify your local law enforcement agency. "If you are in need of Search and Rescue services, always call 911"

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