New phone scam reported locally

(KNZA)--A new phone scam is circulating in Brown County.

Brown County Sheriff John Merchant says residents have advised him that they have been contacted by phone and are being told they're eligible for a one time credit card offer. The offer is only good for a short amount of time at a zero percent rate.

Merchant says the caller is advising residents that if they act fact, they will be awarded a \$500 credit.

The callers are requesting bank account information to verify the credit worthiness of residents.

Merchant says when residents start asking questions, the caller becomes agitated and then hangs up.

The callers have been reported as having a very heavy foreign accent.

So far, no one has fallen victim to the scam.

Merchant reminds residents to never give out personal information over the phone or computer.

If you feel you have been the victim of a scam, contact local law enforcement at once.

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