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Department Order #3 Email scam alert and procedure

Brothers of the Department of New Jersey,

Every so often an email scam goes through our ranks pretending to be the sitting Commander or someone else of authority. These emails are to scam money and or personal data. **DO NOT** reply to any email that looks suspicious and asks for money or gift cards as this will never be asked from the Department of New Jersey Officers or Camp Officers. The scammers use the email list on the public page in order to send out email in a fishing technique to have unsuspecting individuals send these untraceable monies. Unfortunately, once this is sent, it is gone.

Protocol:

1st question **ANY** email asking for money or gift cards from anyone in the organization. This includes anyone and everyone, even all officers of the SUVCW.

2nd check to see if the email matches the one you have saved or on the department website, or camp websites, if they don't match, this is a clear indicator of a scam.

3rd contact your direct Camp, or Department Officer to explain what's going on. If you can screen shot the fake email please do so and send that. **DO NOT** forward the email to someone else as a virus may be attached to it.

4th mark the email as spam and report to your internet provider, then block and delete the email.

Officers of the Department of New Jersey, Camp Officers of The Department this is a serious business that could financially ruin someone, we must be vigilant to protect our brothers. This is not the first nor will it be the last attempt.

Camp Officers and Camp Secretaries send this out to all New Jersey Brothers, warn them this is serious business, and at your next Camp meeting read and discuss this Department order.

Ordered this day July 12th 2023

For reference this and all other department orders can be found on our website here <u>www.njsuvcw.org/Department Orders.htm</u>

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