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SFPD Offer Resources to the Chinese Community Affected by Blessing and Healing Scams 18-160

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防範祈福黨
保護自己和財物

提防陌生人
切勿輕信街上藉詞接近的人
如陌生人要錢，必須提高警惕
不要隨便跟陌生人走
不要帶陌生人回家
不要帶陌生人到銀行提款
決定從銀行或回家提取現金/金飾前，應先跟家人商量

如有懷疑，保持鎮定！

立即打 **911** 報警

假如你懂得少許英語，用英語說出你會用的語言，例如「Cantonese」(廣東話)或「Mandarin」(國語)，911中心會即時找翻譯員與你通話

祈福黨/金光黨中文舉報電話：415-553-9212 (只與留音用)

以上重要的防詐訊息是由三藩市警察局及三藩市防止罪案資源中心為您提供。

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San Francisco Police urge all members of the Chinese community to be suspicious of strangers claiming to provide relief from a curse or illness or who those who provide “purification” ceremonies in which cash and valuable items must be offered as part of the process.

Please review the video below on various ways to identify potential scammers, how to protect yourself from a scam, and reporting resources available to scam victims.

Link to [PSA video](#).

San Francisco Safety Awareness For Everyone (SFSAFE)- a program of San Francisco Police Department’s Community Engagement Division- provides the City’s diverse communities with safety tips and educational brochures in multiple languages. A Chinese language Blessing Scam flyer accompanies this news release.

Anyone who is confronted by scammers or anyone who knows of an elder who was approached by scammers is strongly advised to contact police. Reports can be made at any SFPD District Station or by calling Dispatch at (415) 553-0123 and requesting an officer to take a report.

Cantonese speakers can leave tips on a special tip line by calling (415) 553-9212 or 1-855-737-3847.

Information can also be called into the Anonymous Tip Line at (415) 575-4444 or via Text a Tip by texting a message to TIP411 and beginning the message with SFPD.

SFPD is committed to safety with respect for all our City's communities. The department works closely with San Francisco's multilingual communities to identify and address specific safety concerns. SFPD currently has approximately 490 officers that speak more than 30 different languages. The department is encouraging all bilingual officers to become certified to provide Limited English Proficiency (LEP) services to community members.

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