



BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT

200 North Third Street, Burbank, CA 91502

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

DOOR-TO-DOOR SCAM - DON'T BE VICTIMIZED



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The Burbank Police Department has recently become aware of a door-to-door scam being perpetrated in our community. Residents are reporting that high school age teens are knocking on their doors selling coupon books or discount cards. The teens may tell the resident they are fundraising for the "Burbank Boosters," sports or academic teams from "Burbank High School," "Burroughs High School," "Cal State University Northridge," or other legitimate institutions.

If you purchase one of these illegitimate coupon books or discount cards, you will find them useless when you try to redeem any discounts they purport to give you.

The Burbank Police Department is working with the Burbank Unified School District (BUSD) to help our community from falling victim to this scam. There are a few safeguards you can follow to help keep you from being victimized:

- * BUSD students will always have their school identification with them. Ask to see it. If they can't produce ID, do not purchase the card!
- * Look closely at the discount card before making payment. It will look like the photos below. Any other card or any coupon book is phony.
- * BUSD students will not come to your door after dark. As always, Burbank PD advises our residents to always verbally answer their door, but never open the door to a stranger, especially after dark.

We encourage anyone who feels an unscrupulous person is going door-to-door, or sees anyone acting in a suspicious manner, to call the Burbank Police Department at (818) 238-3000.

THESE ARE VALID BUSD DISCOUNT CARDS



FOR QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS ISSUE,
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