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Scam Alert! Do Not Get Robbed

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The public is warned to be aware of a Grant-in-Aid scam that is being carried by a person claiming to be an employee of the City.

The City has been inundated with complaints from residents receiving calls from the scammer soliciting money to purportedly fast-track their Grant-in-Aid applications. The scammer who claims to be involved in Grant-in-Aid adjudication, solicits amounts of about R3 000 from applicants, and recites their personal information contained in their applications to gain their trust.

All applicants for Grant-in-Aid are handled and processed free of charge – the City will never ask for money to do so.

The following pointers provided below may assist to differentiate scammers from legit communication by the City:

- The name of the City is City of Ekurhuleni, not Ekurhuleni Municipality;
- Landlines in the City have the 999 prefix;
- The email address for staff is: person's [surname@ekurhuleni.gov.za](#) and not [XXX@ekurhuleni.gov.org](#) or any other variation.

The City urges companies and individuals to be very vigilant and to verify information on the website (www.ekurhuleni.gov.za).

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