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## **POLICE ALERT:**







## TECHNOLOGY / CYBER SCAMS

Nassau County residents are being targeted through pop-ups on their smart TVs and computers. The scammer typically prevents the user from logging into their streaming service which states there is a problem, virus, or unpaid bill. Victims are then instructed to call them and to download the AnyDesk app. A fake representative will insist you pay an activation fee or allow them remote access to your smart TV. They then install malware onto your TV that captures your personal information.

- Double-check any fees you have to pay: Research if a pop-up asks you to pay an activation fee or antivirus fee. Roku never charges activation OR registration fees
- Do not fall for fraudulent websites: Fake websites are a threat, even on smart TVs, so verify the URL
- <u>Check before you call</u>: If a "customer service" number pops up, contact the streaming service or TV manufacturer's website to find their official customer support number
- NEVER let anyone control your device remotely: Scammers usually ask for remote computer and/or smart TV access. Don't ever give control of your device to anyone

## **REPORT EMERGENCIES TO 911**