

ARE YOU O.K.?

Computerized Telephone
Calling System

The Hertford County Sheriff's Office is pleased to introduce a new public service that is now available. This new service is called **ARE YOU O.K.?** and is designed for older adults, disabled persons, shut-ins who live alone, or anyone in Hertford County who needs to be checked upon daily.

ARE YOU O.K.? is a computerized telephone calling system. Funding was provided by The Office of the Aging and The Hertford County Sheriff's Office. The system calls each enrolled subscriber at the same time of day each day of the week.

During holidays, vacations, or any other time the subscriber plans to be away from home, a simple call to the Sheriff's Office will stop the calls for as long as needed.

When the subscriber answers the phone at the specified call time, he or she will hear a prerecorded message such as, "Good Morning, **ARE YOU O.K.?**" If the subscriber fails to answer the phone after several attempts or the line is continually busy, the computer will automatically notify the Telecommunicator at the Sheriff's

Office who will then, in turn, have a Deputy Sheriff dispatched to check on that person.

The **ARE YOU O.K.?** system is now in use in over 180 cities and towns throughout the United States and Canada. This system has saved a number of lives and reduced worry and anguish for countless citizens and their families and friends.

There is no charge of any kind for the **ARE YOU O.K.?** program. This is a public service to the citizens of Hertford County provided by the Hertford County Sheriff's Office.

It is very important to understand that **ARE YOU O.K.?** is NOT intended to take the place of Lifeline, Lifephone, or any other services which a person may now be using. In fact, we urge citizens to think about the possible use of Lifeline or a similar service in addition to **ARE YOU O.K.?**

Everyone who wishes to subscribe to **ARE YOU O.K.?** will be asked to fill out a short information form with medical and other information which the Sheriff's Office may need in case of an actual emergency. This information will be completely confidential and will be secured at the

Sheriff's Office if the need for it should arise.

If you think you may be interested in subscribing to **ARE YOU O.K.?**, or need more information on this service, please call Sgt. Rodney Pennington or Julia Perry at 358-7800 or 358-7852 Monday thru Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm.

If you prefer, you may fill out and mail the coupon below. Please pass this information pamphlet on to someone else who may be interested in this service.

MAIL IN COUPON- Tear off at line

Mail to: **ARE YOU O.K.?**

c/o **Vickie Bond or Julia Perry**
Hertford County Sheriff's Office
P.O. Box 176
Winton, NC

Name _____

Phone _____

Best time to call _____

The Hertford County Sheriff's Office Would Like To Thank The Hertford County Aging-Senior Center For Funding The **ARE YOU O.K.?** Program.

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