

## Crime Stoppers Information Available to Inmates

Included in the Department of Corrections' (SCDC) July 2, 2019 letter to the House Legislative Oversight Committee (LOC). This information was provided in response to the following question in LOC's June 13, 2019 letter to the Department of Corrections: "30. Do inmates have the ability to contact Crime Stoppers? If yes, please provide the following: (a) whether an inmate can make the call toll-free from the phones at SCDC facilities; (b) how inmates are informed they can make those calls for free; and (c) where in the facilities the phone number is posted."

In addition to providing the information in this document, SCDC provided the following response:

- Do inmates have the ability to contact Crime Stoppers?
  - Yes, please see attached example of posting.
- Can an inmate can Crime Stoppers toll-free from the phones at SCDC facilities?
  - Yes, Crime Stoppers is set up as speed dial \*49 on the inmate telephone system at all SCDC facilities and is toll free and anonymous.
- How are inmates informed they can make these calls for free?
  - The speed dial numbers including Crime Stoppers, the SCDC investigation tip line, and the PREA reporting line are posted in the living units.
- Where in the facilities is the phone number posted?
  - Numbers are posted in the housing units on bulletin boards and/or on the wall phones.

# PREVENT, DETECT, RESPOND AND MONITOR

RIDGELAND CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION IS COMMITTED TO A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY OF INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT. THIS ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY AFFECTS ALL OF SCDC, INCLUDING EVERY EMPLOYEE AND PERSON UNDER CORRECTIONAL SUPERVISION. CONTINUE TO REPORT ALL INCIDENTS OF SEXUAL ABUSE AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT TO A STAFF MEMBER, \*22, CONTRACT EMPLOYEE, DIVISION OF INVESTIGATIONS OR SLED.

## CRIME STOPPERS OF THE LOWCOUNTRY

Press #1  
Enter SCDC #  
Enter 4 Digit Pin #  
Wait for Prompt  
Dial \*49