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CONSUMER ALERT **CONTRACTORS BOARD WARNS OF ACTIVE ROOFING SCAM IN CLARK COUNTY**

HENDERSON, Nev. – The Nevada State Contractors Board (NSCB) is issuing a consumer alert to all Southern Nevada residents of an active roofing scam targeting homeowners in Clark County. Men from CRV Construction, a company falsely claiming to be a licensed contractor in Arizona, are performing door-to-door solicitations claiming Clark County has been designated a disaster area due to high winds, thus necessary roof repairs are needed and can be covered through homeowner’s insurance.

They use high pressure sales tactics to get homeowners to sign a contract for roofing repairs. Homeowners are informed their insurance should cover the cost, but in the event it doesn’t, the contract states the homeowner is obligated to pay the total amount or else a lien will be placed on their home. NSCB confirmed with the Arizona Registrar of Contractors that CRV Construction is not a licensed entity of Arizona, nor are they a licensed contractor in the State of Nevada.

“Thanks to a homeowner who recognized the warning signs of high pressure sales tactics, we are able to inform all residents of Clark County to be on alert of this roofing scam,” stated NSCB Executive Officer Margi Grein. “Homeowners should listen to their initial instincts when confronted with unscrupulous individuals soliciting work and should report any suspicious activity to the Contractors Board as quickly as possible.”

Scams such as this have been frequently used by “travelers,” or individuals who move rapidly throughout the states, soliciting to perform work for homeowners, receiving payment prior to the work being performed, and then leaving town before doing so.

Homeowners should report all suspicious activity or unlicensed contracting activity to **NSCB’s Unlicensed Contractor Hotline: (702) 486-1160 or (775) 850-7838.**

NSCB encourages consumers looking for contractors to perform work to follow these ten tips:

1. Only hire licensed contractors.
2. Check the contractor’s license number by utilizing our Online Contractor Search at www.nscb.nv.gov
3. Get three references and review past work.
4. Get at least three bids.
5. Get a written contract and do not sign anything until you completely understand the terms.
6. For pool contracts, pay 10% down or \$1,000 - whichever is less, if a deposit is required.
7. Don’t let payments get ahead of the work. Keep a record of all payments.
8. Don’t make a final payment until you are satisfied with the job.
9. Don’t pay cash.
10. Keep a job file of all papers relating to your project.

Additional information for consumers is available on NSCB’s website at www.nscb.nv.gov

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