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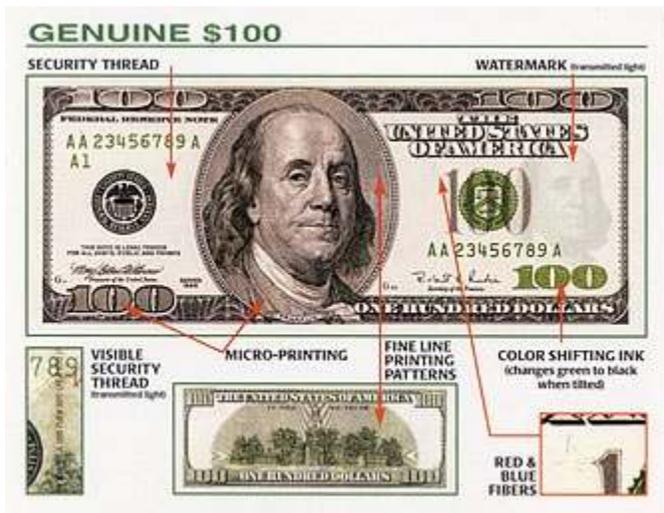
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### **INCREASE IN COUNTERFEIT BILLS AT LOCAL BUSINESSES DRAWS CONCERN.**

The Lakeport Police Department is alerting local businesses to be aware of counterfeit \$100 bills which have been reported by two separate businesses on S. Main St. within the past two days. Lakeport Police Department also received information from a representative of Umpqua bank who reported both the Lakeport and Kelseyville branches received 4 counterfeit \$100 bills from different businesses throughout Kelseyville and Lakeport.

The Police Department encourages local businesses to become familiar with identifying counterfeit bills and has attached a link to the Secret Service Website along with a photograph which depicts security features built into the U.S. Currency which will assist in identifying counterfeit \$100 bills.

[http://www.secretservice.gov/money\\_detect.shtml](http://www.secretservice.gov/money_detect.shtml)



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