



# SCAM AWARENESS TIPS

## Telemarketing / Phone Scams

- Don't confirm social security number, bank account information, or Medicare number over the phone.
- Online "Friends" do not deserve your money, don't send money to people you have never physically met.

## Internet Safety

- Delete any email that looks suspicious, if it doesn't make sense that you got it, it probably isn't true.
- If you think the request is legitimate then contact the company from a verified number.
- NEVER send money over the phone or online.

## Investment Scams

- Websites can be faked and altered. Do further research on companies before investing.
- Be sure to have deals in writing, but make sure you are dealing with real people when investing.

## Sweepstakes & Lottery

- Delete emails that start with "Congratulations You Have Won..."
- Do not believe winnings if they are asking for bank or other personal details to provide you your winnings.
- Never send money to make money.

In 2023, over 101,000 people aged 60 and older reported being victims of elder fraud to the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3)

