

STOP • CHECK • PROTECT

BE VIGILANT AND PROACTIVE TO PROTECT YOURSELF AGAINST FRAUD



STOP

PAUSE BEFORE YOU ACT.

Scammers create urgency to rush your decisions. Take a moment to stop and think when someone is requesting money or payment.

- Just hang up!
- Slow Down! Don't respond to urgent requests.
- Be cautious of unfamiliar callers, texts, emails, or websites.
- If it feels wrong, stop all communication immediately.
- Never make payments if they request gift cards, Bitcoin, or cash apps.



CHECK

VERIFY BEFORE YOU TRUST.

Check the facts and confirm who you are really dealing with.

- Be skeptical to anyone asking for money.
- Contact the company or person using a trusted phone number or website.
- Don't click on links or open unexpected attachments.
- Research offers and check for reviews or complaints.
- When in doubt, pause and verify with someone you trust or your local police department.



PROTECT

PROTECT YOUR INFORMATION AND YOUR MONEY.

Keep your personal information and finances safe.

- Never share personal or financial information.
- Use credit cards.
- Turn on bank alerts and monitor your accounts regularly.
- Use strong passwords and enable two-factor authentication.
- Lock your credit with credit bureaus.

IF YOU SUSPECT FRAUD:



Contact your bank or financial institution.



Report to local law enforcement.
PPD: 928-445-3131



Report online: www.ic3.gov



Report to the Federal Trade Commission: reportfraud.ftc.gov.

