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Helpful Resources for Victims of Scams:

Common Scams and Crimes:

- [Adoption Fraud](#)
- [Business and Investment Fraud](#)
- [Business Email Compromise](#)
- [Charity and Disaster Fraud](#)
 - [Disaster Fraud | FEMA.gov](#)
Contact the National Center for Disaster Fraud at (866) 720-5721, by fax at (225) 334-4707 or submit a complaint through the [NCDF Web Complaint Form](#).
- [Consumer Fraud Schemes](#) / Identity Theft
- [Elder Fraud](#)
 - [National Elder Fraud Hotline | Office for Victims of Crime](#)
- [Election Crimes and Security](#)
- Government Impersonation- IRS, Department of Defense(DOD)
 - DoD Hotline- **FRAUD ALERT:**
Hotline telephone numbers at other Federal IG offices are being spoofed as a scam. Our phone number/organization does not appear on caller ID systems. To verify authenticity of the DoD Hotline staff, you may call the DoD Hotline at 800-424-9098 to verify the call was official.
- [Health Care Fraud](#)- Medicare/Medicaid Fraud, and Related Matters
 - Contact the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Inspector General at 1-800-HHS-TIPS, or online at www.oig.hhs.gov.
- Online Shopping and [Holiday Scams](#)
 - [Online Shopping Scams / Scams and Fraud / Consumer Resources / Home](#)
- [Money Mules](#)
- Military Impersonation

- **FRAUD ALERT:** Beware of scammers impersonating military personnel and asking for money for travel expenses, phone cards, or other needs. Avoid sending money to anyone you do not know. The DoD Office of Inspector General cannot investigate scammers who pose as military personnel. Report such scams to your local law enforcement and to the Federal Trade Commission at <https://reportfraud.ftc.gov/> or (877) 382-4357.
- Ransomware
- Romance Scams
 - [Romance Scams - Fightcybercrime.org](#)
 - [Romance Scam Records Search](#)
 - [Warning Signs of a Dating Scam - Fightcybercrime.org](#)
 - [Support for Romance Scam Survivors - Fightcybercrime.org](#)
 - [Support Group for Romance Scam Victims | Facebook](#)
 - [Coalition For Family Harmony | Online Romance Scams](#)
 - [Scam Survivors Support Groups](#)
 - [SCARS Scam Victims' Support Groups - Join Today](#)
 - [Support for Scam Victims](#)
 - [Society of Citizens Against Relationship Scams Inc.](#)
- Sextortion: What Kids and Caregivers Need to Know
 - [National Organization of Victim Assistance: Help is Available](#)
 - [Stop Sextortion - Get Help](#)
 - [Sextortion Support Group | Facebook](#)
- Skimming
- Spoofing and Phishing
- Student Loans and Scholarship Scams
 - [3 Ways to Spot Student Loan Scams](#)
 - Contact the [Federal Student Aid Information Center \(FSAIC\)](#) at 1-800-433-3243 if you think your FSA ID account has been compromised.

How to Report Crime and Fraud

- [RS and Social Security Fraud Schemes - Social Security Online Reporting Form](#)
- [Report Scams and Frauds | USAGov](#)
- [Report Fraud- US DOJ](#)
- [Internet Fraud and Lottery/Sweepstakes Fraud by Internet \(ICC\)](#)- Contact the Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) online at www.ic3.gov.
- [FBI](#) - General Fraud and Other Criminal Matters. Contact the FBI at (202) 324-3000, or online at www.fbi.gov or tips.fbi.gov.

- [Mail Fraud and Lottery/Sweepstakes Fraud](#)- Contact the U.S. Postal Inspection Service at 1-800-372-8347, or online at postalinspectors.uspis.gov.
- [Securities Fraud](#). Contact the Securities and Exchange Commission at 1-800-SEC-0330, or online at www.sec.gov or www.sec.gov/complaint/select.shtml.
- State and Local Fraud. Contact your local [Police Department](#) or [State Attorney General's Office](#)
 - [PA Attorney General- Scams Complaint Form](#)
- [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](https://reportfraud.ftc.gov) is the federal government's website where you can report fraud, scams, and bad business practices. [FTC fraud report](#)

Other Government Resources

- [Computer safety: OnGuardOnline](#)
- [File a consumer complaint with the FTC](#)
- [Identity theft](#)
- [Project Safe Childhood](#)
- [Safety sites for kids](#)

Protection / Prevention:

- [Article: 6 Steps to Take after Discovering Fraud | CFTC](#)
- Add yourself to the National Do Not Call List- [DoNotCall.gov](https://do-not-call.gov)
- [Top 10 Identity Theft protection Services](#)
- [BeenVerified](#)

Support:

- [Support Groups for Fraud Victims — ACFE Insights](#)
- [Scam Victim Stories](#)- Website where victims share what really happened to them. This can be used as a wake up call, or to realize you are not alone if you fell for one of these scams.
- [Find Legal Help](#) - American Bar Association - Links to free or affordable legal advice or representation