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Awareness Through Information Sharing

Incidents/Articles of Note:

New Blackmail Scam Circulating Throughout Virginia and Surrounding Jurisdictions

- [Virginia Man Admits Conspiring To Launder Money Obtained From Internet-Enabled Romance Scams \(VA\)](#)
- [Police Warning Residents About Phone Scam \(VA\)](#)
- [REC Warns Of In-Person Impersonation Scams \(VA\)](#)
- [Extortion Scams On The Rise In Southwest Virginia \(VA\)](#)
- ['Don't Be An Easy Target:' Chesterfield Police Warn About Distraction Scams \(VA\)](#)
- [Police Offer Tips To Stop Scams \(VA\)](#)
- [Video: Be Aware Of AI Phone Scams \(VA\)](#)
- [AARP Virginia Fraud Alert: Work-From-Home-Job Scams \(VA\)](#)
- [Scam Targeting Navy Federal Customers Costing Victims Thousands In Hampton Roads \(VA\)](#)
- [Lawmakers Look To Crack Down On Fraud, Public Corruption With New Whistleblower Program \(VA\)](#)
- ['It Looked Very Legitimate:' Real Estate Scam In Lynchburg, Red Flags To Look Out For \(VA\)](#)
- [Scammer Steals \\$1,600 In Taylor Swift Ticket Scam \(VA\)](#)
- [Jury Scams Are On The Rise In Montgomery County \(VA\)](#)
- ['It Is Not Real:' Title Company Owner Warns Of New Twist To Title Fraud \(NY\)](#)
- [Fraudsters Target Online Sellers With Fake Check Scam \(PA\)](#)
- [Bellevue Under Attack From Ongoing Bitcoin Scam \(WA\)](#)
- [West Virginia Real Estate Developer Sentenced To Five Years For Fraud \(WV\)](#)

- Marion County Circuit Court Clerk's Office Fraud Case Investigation Continues (WV)
- Video: New Email Extortion Scheme Uses Public Images Of Your Home To Blackmail You Into Sending Scammers Bitcoin

Training Opportunities:

- **Virtual AARP Training**
 - Fraud Talk: Ways To Fight Misinformation – 10/8/2024
 - Stump Scammers: Get Social Media Smart – 10/8/2024
 - Get The Latest On Artificial Intelligence-Generated Scams – 10/15/2024
 - Keeping Our Devices Protected From Fraudsters And Scammers – 10/22/2024
 - Can You Recognize A Text Message Scam? – 10/29/2024

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- Tools and Resources -



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Money Matters: How To Spot, Avoid, And Report Scams

Living through the pandemic has transformed our personal and professional lives. While some of us continue to work from home, others are interviewing for their first job, and still others are seeking a new career path. Finding a place to live, whether buying a home or renting a place to live can be financially challenging. Transportation costs may have some of us rethinking where we want to live and the kind of jobs we want. And, as we work to regain our financial footing, scammers will continue to try to steer us off course and steal our money and personal information.

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Cybersecurity Awareness Program Parent And Educator Resources

When your child wants to go over to a new friend's house, you probably ask questions. Who else is going? Will the parents be home? We should be having the same discussion with our kids about their Internet use. Which websites are okay to visit? What kind of information is acceptable—and more importantly, what is not—to share online? Here you will find resources and materials to help you start the discussion with your kids or students.

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