

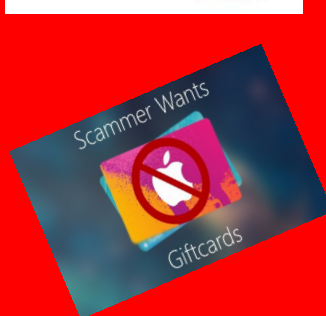


SENIOR SCAMS

Seniors lose billions of dollars every year to scams. Protecting our seniors starts with talking to them about different types of scams and how to avoid becoming a victim.

Popular Scam:

"The Grandparent or Family Emergency Scam"



How It Works:

* Senior gets a call from a person impersonating a grandchild or relative saying they have an emergency, i.e. they are in jail, their car broke down, been involved in an accident or kidnapped and they need money **QUICK.**

* At times they call at night to appear legitimate and/or have others in their story.

* They ask for Money to be wired to them immediately.

* They ask that it be kept a secret.

For more info: Tarpon Springs Police Dept.

What Should I Do?

1. *Resist the urge to act immediately*

No matter how dramatic the story.

2. *Verify and ask questions*

Ask hard questions for a stranger to guess.

Tell someone and call the person named to let them know what is happening to verify the information.

3. *Report it*

Report all crimes/ See Something Say

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