

ADDITIONAL NOTES

- Utility companies send bills in the mail, not by phone.
- Utility companies will never call you asking for payment by credit card, gift card, or wire transfer (i.e. Western Union).
- The Sheriff's Department will not call asking for bail or warrant payment.
- Jails do not accept payment over the phone, or by gift cards or MoneyGram.
- If it seems too good to be true, it probably is.
- If someone calls demanding ransom for a family member, check on that person and notify law enforcement immediately.
- The IRS does not collect any debts over the phone or internet.

If you feel you have been the victim of a theft/fraud, please contact your local law enforcement agency to file a report.

Get as much information from the caller as possible to assist in a criminal investigation.

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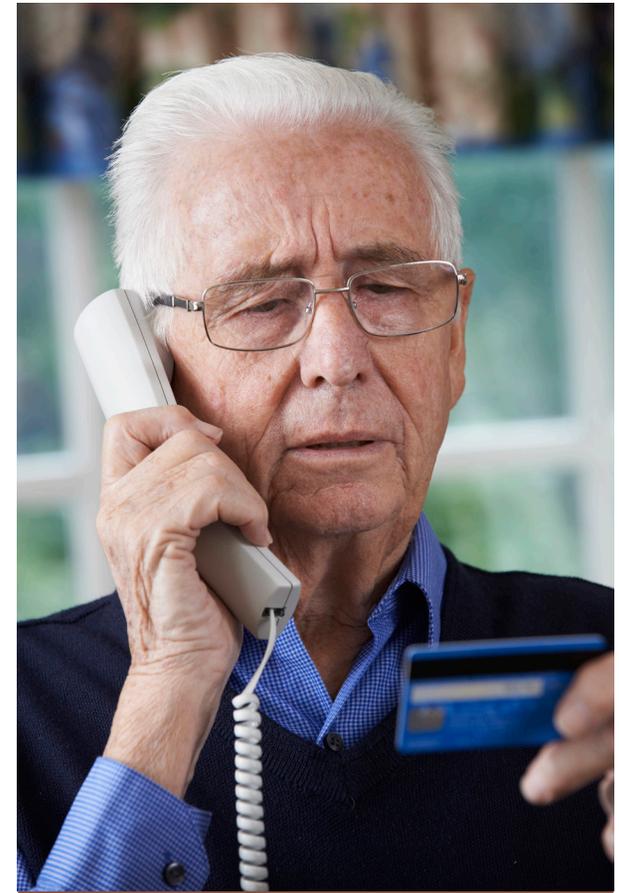
Report Number:

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SAVE PROGRAM



San Bernardino County
Sheriff's Department
Public Affairs Division

SAVE yourself from becoming a victim of fraud

Slow down. Take control of the conversation. Don't allow them to bully or talk over you.

Ask who they are, and why they are calling.

Verify their answers and who they work for. Research the company's phone number and call them back at the verified number.

Evaluate everything they tell you and decide if they are telling the truth or not. If you're not sure, contact the Sheriff's Department.



QUESTIONS TO ASK

What's your name and I.D. number?

Who do you work for?

What's your call back number?

If you have a caller I.D., what number shows up?

What account are you calling about?

Are you asking me to send you money?



AUTOMATIC SCAMS

- Did I win money I didn't try to win?
- Are you giving away free money?
- Do I need to send you money to collect my winnings?
- Do I need to send you money via Western Union, Money Gram, Green Dot, iTunes or Amazon gift card?
- Never share your personal or financial information with anyone over the phone or internet.

