



Maricopa County
Attorney's Office
Keeping Families Safe

Scams & Fraud

While most of us in this community are good, law-abiding citizens, there are those who seek to take advantage of others. It is important to be a smart consumer and take steps to safeguard your property and identity.

The Maricopa County Attorney's Office is the nation's third largest prosecutorial agency serving nearly four million residents. With over 900 employees, MCAO delivers high quality prosecution, victim services and crime prevention education.

**For more safety tips and information about
Scams & Fraud visit:**

MaricopaCountyAttorney.org/ScamsAndFraud



PREVENTION TIPS

Never give out or “verify” your personal information such as social security number, bank account numbers, passwords or other identifying information over the phone.

If a caller asks you to wire money or pay with a gift card, hang up and report the scammer right away. A bank or government agency will not ask you to pay with a gift card.

Contact your bank and ask them to report any unauthorized or suspicious automatic withdrawals from your account.

Talk to your phone company about call blocking tools.

Never wire money to people or companies you don't know and don't deposit checks or money orders you receive in the mail from unknown sources.

Be wary of investments that promise quick and guaranteed high returns without financial risks.

Research investment opportunities on your own and verify investments before you make a monetary commitment.

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