

SAFE COMMUNITY SERIES

HIGHLIGHTS

TOP SCAMS AFFECTING THE COMMUNITY

HERE'S WHAT YOU MISSED (December 11th, 2025):

Never send money to someone you have not met face-to-face.



- Beware of any “too good to be true” opportunities. Highly discounted products, a perfect job offer, or a “risk-free” investment are commonly scams posing as opportunities.
- Be extra suspicious if they request a payment in gift cards or cryptocurrency (e.g., Bitcoin).

Top Scams: The Better Business Bureau reports the top five riskiest scams of 2024 are:

1. Investment / Cryptocurrency Scams, 2. Employment Scams, 3. Romance Scams, 4. Online Purchase Scams, and 5. Home Improvement Scams.

Phishing Scams: Some scammers may impersonate banks or authority figures. Never disclose personal information, even if they ‘need it’ to confirm your identity. Search the company or bank online and call their verified number yourself if you want to check their legitimacy.

BBB Scam Tracker: Report, view, and learn about new scams on the BBB Website below.

For additional information on the top scams, visit:

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