

Common Scams That Target Seniors



Fraudsters may contact you by phone, text, email, mail, online, in person, or at your door. They may also create websites and ads for fake or imposter businesses.



Imposters

Scammers may pretend to be from banks or other reputable businesses. They may also say they represent government agencies, such as Social Security, Medicare, IRS, Jury Duty, USPS, Toll Roads Dept., etc.



Voice Cloning

Criminals may use artificial intelligence to clone your loved one's voice, call you, and say your loved one is in danger. Ask a question only they can answer, hang up, and call them or another family member to verify.



Romance & Friendship

Fraudsters post fake profiles on social media or dating apps and build trust for months before asking for personal information, assistance with moving funds, or money for fake emergencies or investments



Real Estate & Mortgage

Scammers may pretend to be escrow officers, realtors, or lenders and try to trick you into signing over property deeds or wiring money for fake fees or deposits.



Affinity Impersonators

Scammers may impersonate leaders or staff from your place of worship, workplace, or other groups.



Technical Support

If you get a message telling you there is something wrong with your computer, do not click on links or use any contact information provided.

For more tips, visit the following websites and follow these organizations on social media:

AZ Attorney General's Office

www.azag.gov/consumer

AARP

aarp.org/money/scams-fraud

Better Business Bureau

bbb.org/us/az