HANG UP ON FRAUD!

HOW, WHEN & WHERE TO REPORT FRAUD

As the state's consumer protection agency, the Minnesota Department of Commerce is committed to empowering older adults and their families to protect themselves against financial fraud.

Financial fraud is often **100 percent preventable**, but can only be investigated if it is reported to the right people at the right time.

The first place to begin reporting fraud is your local law enforcement office. If you suspect a fraud or scam, you should report it by calling your local non-emergency law enforcement phone number. Local law enforcement can then investigate or alert the community.

Resources to help fight fraud

The Federal Trade Commission is the federal government agency that investigates fraud, identity theft and unfair or deceptive business practices.

1-877-382-4357, ftc.gov/complaint

The Senior LinkAge Line® is able to answer questions about common frauds or scams, provide advice and answer questions about health care and housing options.

1-800-333-2433, Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Minnesota Elder Justice Center

provides support, information and resources on neglect, abuse, maltreatment or financial exploitation of older adults.

Minnesota Adult Abuse Reporting

Center. To report neglect, abuse or maltreatment of a vulnerable adult, call the Minnesota Adult Abuse Reporting Center.

844-880-1574, mn.gov/dhs/reportadultabuse

AARP Minnesota connects Minnesotans to resources that help them save money and live their best lives. The AARP Fraud Fighters Network is able to answer questions about common frauds and scams.

1-866-554-5381, aarpmn@aarp.org

The Commerce Fraud Bureau is a law enforcement unit within the Department of Commerce. To report fraud, you are able to submit a report online or by phone.

1-888-372-8366, mn.gov/commerce (under "File a Complaint")

My local non-emergency law enforcement #:

Minnesota Commerce Department Consumer Services Center

651-539-1600 | 1-800-657-3602 consumer.protection@state.mn.us mn.gov/commerce

651-440-9300, elderjusticecentermn.org