

FRAUD ALERT!

From the Office of Seniors vs. Crime

How to Prevent Fraud in 2010

Whether approached on the street, at my door or by telephone, I will not talk to strangers!

When making major financial decisions, I will get several opinions from trusted family members and advisors.

No matter how well I know or trust someone, I will not sign legal papers or make an investment that I don't understand or that seems unusual without first checking it out.

I won't carry my Social Security card or checkbook in public; I will keep my wallet in my pocket or a hidden/secure pouch.

I will not keep my purse, checkbook, briefcase, laptop or other personal/financial information in my car.

I will mail checks inside the post office, have my new box of checks sent to my bank/credit union and shred all financial documents with a cross-cut shredder.

I will hire only licensed contractors I have checked out with the BBB, and will not do business with door-to-door solicitors or those asking for a lot of money in advance.

I will not withdraw money from my bank at the suggestion of a stranger who claims I have won the lottery, founded a lot of money, or someone claiming to be a bank official.

If you have a problem or need assistance call us at 352-249-9139

Or visit us at 4093 N. Lecanto Highway Beverly Hills, Next to the "Main Street Restaurant and Grill".

Our hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday From 8:30am to 1:30pm and you do not need an appointment.