



Scam Prevention and Resources

1-888-382-1222 or NoCall.wisconsin.gov is the "Do not call list" for the state of Wisconsin. You can register your home and a cell number. Tip - you must call from the phone you want registered.

1-844-217-3057 or cyberseniors.org is Cyber-Seniors that provides free technology support and training for senior citizens.

1-833-586-0107 or reportelderabuse.wi.org is the Wisconsin Elder Abuse Hotline. If you have been the victim of a scam, contact your local law enforcement or your local Adult Protective Services unit or call the Wisconsin Elder Abuse Hotline.

IC3.gov is FBI Internet Crime Complaint Center. If you have been a victim of an internet crime, you can file a complaint at IC3.gov.

<https://www.charitynavigator.org/> Charity Navigator - donors can give with confidence knowing the organizations that are highly rated on Charity Navigator efficiently steward donations and are accountable and transparent.

Prevention and Protection Tips

- Monitor your credit. Credit monitoring services track your credit report and alert you whenever a change is made, such as a new account or a large purchase. Most services will notify you within 24 hours of any change to your credit report.
- Consider placing a free credit freeze on your credit report. Identity thieves will not be able to open a new credit account in your name while the freeze is in place. You can place a credit freeze by contacting each of the three major credit bureaus:
 1. Equifax at <https://www.equifax.com/personal/credit-report-services/creditfreeze/> or **(888) 766-0008**
 2. Experian at <https://www.experian.com/freeze/center.html> or **(888) 397-3742**
 3. TransUnion at <https://www.transunion.com/credit-freeze> or **(800) 680-7289**
- Place a fraud alert on your credit report. A fraud alert tells lenders and creditors to take extra steps to verify your identity before issuing credit. You can place a fraud alert by contacting any one of the three major credit bureaus.
- For additional information or to file a complaint, visit the DATCP's Consumer Protection Bureau at datcp.wi.gov, send an e-mail to DATCPHotline@wisconsin.gov, or call the Wisconsin Consumer Protection Hotline toll-free at **(800) 422-7128**. You may also go to identitytheft.gov for assistance on how to report and recover from suspected identity theft.