

# Don't let them take your money.

Know the signs. Take one step. Call for help.

## How scammers are targeting seniors



### Imposter Scams:

Someone pretends to be from the government, your bank, or a company. They say there's a problem and ask for money or personal information.



### Home Repair Scams:

Someone shows up unannounced offering repairs or asks for full payment upfront — then does poor or no work.



### Tech Support Scams:

You get a call or pop-up saying your computer has a virus. They offer to fix it and steal your money or access.



### Remember: It's OK to say NO.

Scammers count on secrecy and fear. You have the right to protect your money, your information, and your peace of mind.

## Three warning signs

1

Someone you just met is asking you to invest money or pay upfront to get money back

2

They say you must decide right now — and tell you not to talk to your family first

3

They want cash, gift cards, wire transfer, or Zelle — not a check or credit card



### One thing to do this week

Call your bank and add a trusted contact. It takes 10 minutes and costs nothing.



Chicago senior services (DFSS)

312-744-4016



IL Attorney General fraud line

1-800-243-5377



National elder fraud hotline (DOJ)

1-833-372-8311

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