



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 the 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/>** 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.