

# Identity Theft

- Never keep your PIN number in your wallet or purse.
- Never allow someone else access to your number.
- Take credit card receipts and carbon copies with you so someone does not have access to your name or number.

# Telemarketers

- Purchase caller ID.
- Do not give out personal or financial information over the phone if they ask you for it.
- Do not give them your name. If they called you, then they should know your name.
- Do not purchase anything over the phone. Ask them to send information through the mail.
- Contact the “DO NOT CALL REGISTRY” at 888-382-1222.
- Be cautious of high-pressure sale tactics.



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**Or you can reach us by phone:  
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# Safety For Seniors



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# Protect Yourself

- Consider carrying a cell phone in case of an emergency.
- Always be aware of your surroundings.
- DO NOT carry identification of any kind on your key ring.

# Protect Your Home

- If a stranger asks to use your phone, offer to place the call for them, keep your door locked, and do not let them into your home.
- Make sure you know who your visitor is before opening your door.
- If someone starts repairs on your house without your permission, call the police immediately.
- Program your answering machine message so it seems as though you don't live alone. Example: "Sorry, we can't come to the phone."

# Shopping Tips

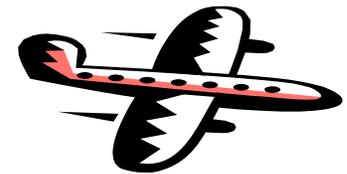
- Always try to go places with a family member or close friend, and park near an entrance.
- Have your keys ready before you leave any building to go to your car.
- Do not carry large sums of money around with you if at all possible.
- DO NOT fight with a thief! Call for help.
- If you carry a wallet, do not carry it in your back pocket. Keep it in the front pocket or inside your jacket.
- Do not dangle your purse so a thief can run by and grab it.
- Do not leave your personal items unattended in a public place.

# Con Artists

- Be cautious of people who approach you with a sad story and ask to borrow money from you.

# Safe Travel

- If you go on vacation, set timers for lights and appliances to go on at different times. If you do not have timed lights, leave a couple on while you are gone.
- Make sure you let your neighbors know you are going out of town so they can also keep watch over your home.



# Finances

- Have your social security or pension directly deposited into your personal account.
- Be sure the person who handles your money can be trusted.
- Never withdraw money from your bank accounts for anyone except yourself.
- Never tell anyone your access code.