

Identity Theft is REAL – Don't Become a Victim



Do you need Identity Theft Prevention and/or Identity Theft Victim Restoration Services

According to the Identity Theft Resource Center (ITRC), a nationally recognized nonprofit organization that supports victims of identity theft crimes, their 2022 Consumer Impact Report shows that:

About four (4) in ten (10) consumers report that their personal information has been stolen, compromised, or misused in the past year!

ALWAYS USE PROTECTIVE MEASURES! You can prevent identity theft

While cybercriminals are getting more sophisticated and getting your information to successfully engage in identity fraud, you need to make their job more difficult. Follow these recommendations:

- Check your credit reports often and be aware of significant changes to your credit file.
 - Get copies of your credit reports from the major credit reporting agencies (CRAs) and review the entries on your credit reports, including phone numbers and addresses listed for you, and the list of companies reporting your credit, or hard credit entries for credit applications you did not make.
- Consider placing a credit freeze with the five major credit reporting agencies (Equifax, Experian, TransUnion, Innovis, and NCTUE). That means that no one can access your credit report without your permission.
 - You can still use your credit cards and apply for loans, just be aware that you will have to temporarily lift your credit freeze when you apply for credit/loan.
- Protect your Social Security, Drivers License, Passport & Credit Card Numbers.
- Shred your paper documents containing any personal information.
- Keep an eye on your credit card and bank statements for unrecognized activity. Dispute irregularities immediately.
- Safeguard all your Passwords. Use strong and varied passwords for your accounts (don't use the same password for all accounts). Consider using a password manager application and do not save passwords using your web browser.
- Use anti-malware software to protect your device from threats that could steal your data.
 - Check your computer, or get a specialist to check it, for "remote access software tools".
- Understand the methods that cybercriminals use, such as phishing emails, to obtain your data and then practice safe computing to avoid becoming a victim. Don't respond to people you don't know. Contact banks and credit card companies through the telephone numbers/website on your card not from an email.
- Avoid publishing personal data on Social Media. Be aware of info in the background of pictures posted.

Contact Us if you need Personalized Assistance with the steps you need to take for your Identity Theft Protection, or for Comprehensive Identity Restoration services if you become a victim.

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