



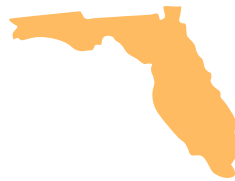
# FRAUD PREVENTION DON'T BE A VICTIM

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## ABOUT

Fraud/Spam crime schemes steal millions of dollars each year from victims through various methods. The following are preventative measures to assist you in being informed prior to being defrauded out of your hard-earned money.

## STATS



### Florida

Top 10 States by Number of Victims\*

Top 10 States by Victim Loss\*



### Nationwide Victim's Losses in 2017

1.42 Billion\*



### Gift Card Fraud

No credible business or organization will ask for payment in gift cards.



### Law Enforcement Impersonation

WCSO, or any other law enforcement agency, will NEVER call to inform anyone of an outstanding warrant. NO law enforcement agency will EVER take payment in lieu of arrest.



### Buyer/Seller Fraud

Buy NOTHING sight unseen. If you are making a purchase, meet the seller in a public place. Try using only accredited sights such as Walmart.com or Amazon.com

## FRAUD TYPES

Walton County Sheriff's Office is committed to keeping you and your family safe. Call anytime for any questions involving possible fraud before you are scammed out of your savings.

## REPORTING