

# LEARN HOW TO PROTECT YOUR FINANCES

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## Most common types of Elder Fraud:

**Romance Scams:** pretend to be someone they are not, take time to earn your trust, say all the right things

- Will not meet you in person
- Encourage you to communicate outside of dating site
- Always have excuses as to why they cannot meet and why they need your help
- Ask for gift cards, money, open bank accounts, and other items of value

## **Tech Fraud Scams:**

pretend to be someone from certain IT companies like McAfee or Norton

- Want remote access to your computer
- Will over pay you during a rebate or refund
- Ask you to send the money back to them via gift cards, cash, wire transfers and/or virtual currency
- Will call you frequently throughout the day trying to pressure you into sending the money fast

## WHAT TO REMEMBER:

1. Never send money, gift cards, wire transfers or virtual currency to anyone you haven't met in person
2. Ask for the opinion of others, such as friends or family members, before taking any action
3. Slow down and think about what you are doing.  
Scammers will try to do everything fast and encourage you to make quick decisions. You don't have to move fast. Take your time. Think before you do anything.



## **Resources:**

- Visit IC3.gov to file a complaint
- Contact FBI Baltimore at 410-265-8080
- <https://fightcybercrime.org/programs/peer-support/>
- <https://www.aarp.org/money/scams-fraud/voa-rest-program/>