



TNEJC WEEKLY UPDATE

Intelligence, prevention & action for Tennessee's elder justice network

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THIS WEEK'S SAFETY MESSAGE

PUBLIC POST? PAUSE BEFORE YOU REPLY.

A friendly question on Facebook can reveal details that help a scammer target you later.

FACEBOOK GLOBE ICON = PUBLIC



Anyone may be able to see the post.

On Facebook, a globe beside a post means it is public. People on or off Facebook may see it. Think before answering public questions about your age, hometown, family, routines, losses, travel plans or finances. A scammer can collect those answers and use them to sound familiar. You can enjoy Facebook without sharing personal details publicly.

[Learn about Facebook audiences](#)

NEW FROM TNEJC

CHECK BEFORE YOU ACT TENNESSEE

This free website helps you pause and review warning signs before sending money or sharing information. Scan the code or visit CheckBeforeYouActTN.org.



THREE SAFE STEPS

STOP. Do not answer or pay under pressure.
VERIFY. Call a number you find yourself.
TELL. Ask someone you trust to look with you.

TWO QUICK UPDATES

DOJ: A new federal center will help agencies connect fraud information. It does not replace your pause-and-verify plan.
Package: If something arrives that you did not order, do not scan a QR code inside it.

[DOJ](#) | [FTC](#)

IF SOMETHING HAPPENED, ASK FOR HELP

There is no shame in being targeted. Acting quickly may help protect your money and other people.

Emergency: 911 | Tennessee APS: 1-888-277-8366 (24/7)
National Elder Fraud Hotline: 1-833-FRAUD-11
Online: IC3.gov | ReportFraud.ftc.gov