

# Beware of Social Security Phone Scams

The York Police Department and The Social Security Administration continue to receive reports of scammers impersonating SSA employees over the phone, to request personal information or money. **Do not fall for it!**

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- Social Security Administration employees will NEVER threaten you for information or promise a reward or resolution in exchange for personal information or money.
- Do not use Caller ID to verify that the caller is a government employee - Many scam calls “spoof” official government numbers.

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- If the caller demands sensitive personal information, payment via gift card or pre-paid debit card or wire transfer; **It is a scam!**
  - If the caller makes threats when you do not comply with their request; **It is a scam!**

## If you receive a suspicious call:

1. **Hang up!**
2. Do not give them money or personal information
3. Contact the York Police Department so we can document the information and the type of scam it is
4. Report the scam to <https://secure.ssa.gov/ipff/home>



# What to Know to Avoid COVID-19 Vaccine Scams

Check with your State and Local Health Department to find out how, when, and where to get a COVID-19 vaccine in your community. And to avoid a scam know that:

- You can't pay to put your name on a list to get the vaccine. **That is a scam.**
- You can't pay to get early access to the vaccine. **That is a scam.**
- Nobody legitimate will call, text, or email about the vaccine and ask for your Social Security, Bank Account, or Credit Card information. **That is a scam.**

Learn more at:

[ftc.gov/coronavirus/scams](https://ftc.gov/coronavirus/scams)



# IRS IMPOSTER SCAMS



**The Internal Revenue Service (IRS)** is the government agency that collects federal taxes.

**Scammers pretend to be IRS officials** to get you to send them money.




If you think you may owe back taxes, contact the IRS directly:

**800-829-1040** or  
**irs.gov/balancedue**


## How the scam works


**You get a call.**


**IRS** Your caller ID might show it's the IRS calling.

 The caller might give a badge number and know the last four digits of your Social Security number.

**You are told:**

 "You owe money."

 "You better pay now or you'll be arrested."

 "Put money on a prepaid debit card or wire it to us."

**If you pay...**

 **You find out it wasn't the IRS. It was a scam.**

**The money is gone.**

