Identity Theft Webinar Resources

Federal Trade Commission

The FTC is the lead government agency on Identity Theft.

Tax-Related Identity Theft – Consumer Information

Guidance about uncovering and dealing with tax-related identity theft.

Privacy & Identity - Consumer Information

Your personal information is the key to your financial and online identity. Here are some tips on how to protect your information effectively, and what steps to take if you become a victim of ID theft.

FTC Guide for Assisting Identity Theft Victims

Protecting Personal Information: A Guide for Business [PDF]

Practical tips for businesses on creating and implementing a plan for safeguarding personal information.

OnGuard Online - Small Businesses

OnGuard Online's small business page highlights how-to videos and tutorials about protecting information, creating cybersecurity plans, and learning about cyber threats. The page also features training materials for employees, free email updates, and other cybersecurity resources for small businesses.

Internal Revenue Service

IRS does not initiate contact with taxpayers by email to request personal or financial information. This includes any type of electronic communication, such as text messages and social media channels.

Taxpayer Guide to Identity Theft

IRS has developed a one page guide for identity theft victims with information on how to identify and report identity theft as well as how to minimize your chances of becoming a victim. This page also contains links to the credit bureaus and FTC.

Identity Protection [En Español]

Information on IRS's commitment to working with taxpayers who are victims of identity theft, ranging from contacting us with a case of identity theft to providing tips to help keep your records safe.

<u>Helpful resources: Publications, articles, YouTube videos and other identity theft related outreach</u> Links to a variety of news releases, tax tips, videos, podcasts, and publications on identity theft.

Report Phishing and Beware of phishing schemes (Pub 4523 EN/SP)

Phishing is a scam typically carried out by unsolicited email and/or websites that pose as legitimate sites and lure unsuspecting victims to provide personal and financial information.

Suspicious e-Mails & Identity Theft

IRS has issued several recent consumer warnings on the fraudulent use of the IRS name or logo by scamsters.

Identity Theft Affidavit (Form 14039)

Form (English & Spanish) for reporting to IRS you are an actual or potential victim of identity theft.

Frequently Asked Questions about the Identity Protection Personal Identification Number (IP PIN)

Answers to questions about Identity Protection Personal Identification Numbers. An Identity Protection Personal Identification Number, or IP PIN, is a single use identification number sent out to a taxpayer who previously reported to IRS that s/he has been the victim of identity theft and provided information to validate identity.



IRS Criminal Investigation Combats Identity Theft Refund Fraud

FS-2014-3, January 2014 — The IRS has seen a significant increase in refund fraud that involves identity thieves who file false claims for refunds by stealing and using someone's Social Security number. The investigative work done by Criminal Investigation is a major component of the IRS's efforts to combat tax-related identity theft.

Tips for Taxpayers, Victims about Identity Theft and Tax Returns

FS-2014-2, January 2014 — Identity theft is one of the fastest growing crimes nationwide, and refund fraud caused by identity theft is one of the biggest challenges facing the IRS. In 2014, the IRS continues to take new steps and strong actions to protect taxpayers and help victims of identity theft and refund fraud.

IRS Combats Identity Theft and Refund Fraud on Many Fronts

FS-2014-1, January 2014 — Stopping identity theft and refund fraud is a top priority for the IRS. The agency's work on identity theft and refund fraud continues to grow, touching nearly every part of the organization. For the 2014 filing season, the IRS has expanded these efforts to better protect taxpayers and help victims.

IRS Identity Protection Specialized Unit - 1-800-908-4490

Washington Coalition of Crime Victim Advocates

The Washington Coalition of Crime Victim Advocates (WCCVA) is the designated organization supporting professional Crime Victim Advocates and victim services in Washington. WCCVA served as the project managers for the Washington State Identity Theft Alliance, a member of the National Identity Theft Victims Assistance Network (NITVAN)



The Washington Coalition of Crime Victim Advocates

Webpage connects the community and victims to resources, trainings, information about identity theft and other crimes.

The Washington State Identity Theft Alliance Webpage

This webpage provides information and additional resources about identity theft for both victims and professionals and is a project of the Washington Coalition of Crime Victim Advocates.

Crime Victim Service Centers in Washington State

Crime Victim Service Centers (CVSCs) and Crime Victim Advocates are available to work with victims of identity theft both separate from and throughout legal proceedings.

Washington State Attorney General's Office, Complaint Filing

The Washington State Attorney General's Office has a concerted focus on consumer protection as well as providing information on scams, fraud and encourages consumers to file complaints.

Identity Theft Resource Center

Non-profit organization available to assist victims and professionals nationally with resources when responding to identity theft and operates a 24-hour hotline for victims.

Toolkit for Professionals When Responding to Identity Theft

Created by the National Identity Theft Victims Assistance Network (NITVAN), this toolkit provides training materials and specialized brochures when working with victims of identity theft.

Identity Theft Resources Map

Identity theft resources map for victim advocates, attorneys and law enforcement in all 50 states.