

AARP's Fraud Watch Network can help you spot and avoid scams. Sign up for free "Watchdog Alerts", review our scam-tracking map, or call our toll-free helpline, 877-908-3360 if you or a loved one suspect you've been a victim.



FraudWatch Newsletter



Scam Confirmations at Laramie USPS: Multiple residents of Laramie have reported scam texts to the local USPS office. Texts about "shipping problems," "incorrect zip codes," and "incorrect addresses" are not real. USPS clerks at the office confirmed that USPS never contacts customers via text message. Here's an example of a scam: A Laramie resident received a scam text claiming their package couldn't be delivered due to incorrect address details, with a link to "update" the information. The message appeared to be from the "USPS team" and seemed plausible since the person was tracking a package to another state. The resident clicked the link, which led to a form requesting credit card details. After entering their credit card information, they had to cancel their card.



Fake Social Security Notice: A Big Horn resident reported receiving a scam email with the subject "Important: Social Security Case Inquiry-WE-604-KF." The email falsely claimed that the recipient's Social Security number was connected to narcotics trafficking and money laundering activities in New Mexico and Texas. It stated that the Social Security number was being canceled due to these illegal activities and included a suspicious attachment, purportedly an official Social Security Administration document. Interestingly, the recipient noted they couldn't block the email since it appeared to come from their own email address. *CyberWyoming Note: This email contained several red flags among its preposterous claims, including poor grammar, a sense of urgency, and a request to view it privately, all of which are common tactics used in scams. Never click on suspicious links or open attachments from unfamiliar sources, and always verify such communications directly with official agencies before taking any action. This same scam subject has also been perpetrated via phone calls.*

Call The Wyoming Senior Medicare Patrol for assistance with potential Medicare fraud or abuse at 1-800-856-4398

Information and resources to help you with...

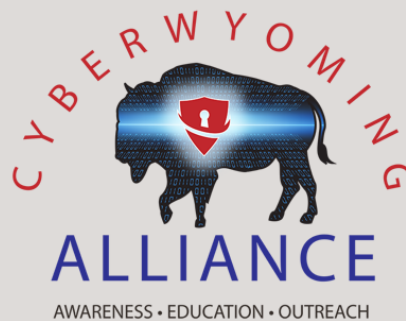
- **Find resources and information around VA benefits, health, caregiving, fraud and employment for retired and active-duty military and their families by going to aarp.org/veterans or calling our toll-free nationwide phone number 1-888-OUR-AARP (1-888-687-2277).**
- **Family caregiving:** Call the Caregiving Resource Center for a free Prepare to Care Guide (1-877-333-5885).
- **Fraud and scams:** Call the AARP Fraud Watch Network Helpline toll-free (1-877-908-3360).

CyberWyoming Alliance

Please report your scams to:

phishing@cyberwyoming.org

307-223-1265



CyberWyoming Alliance's goal is for Wyoming to be the most cyber-secure state in the nation. To do this, we know that cybersecurity efforts have to be local, trusted, and grassroots in nature.

If abuse, neglect, abandonment, intimidation or financial exploitation of an older adult is occurring, report it to Adult Protective Services.

Basics of what DFS/APS can do:

- If an abuse/neglect case is reported and opened, an APS Caseworker will respond within 24-72 hours, depending on immediate danger or impending harm.
- APS is mandated by statute to notify law enforcement.
- An APS Caseworker will interview the vulnerable adult to determine the facts of the situation.
- APS works with the vulnerable adult regarding availability of community services he/she is agreeable to receive in order to ensure his/her safety.

Basics of what DFS/APS cannot do:

- APS cannot force anyone to accept help, adults have the right to refuse.
- APS cannot force anyone to reside in a nursing home, APS is committed to keeping vulnerable adults as safe as possible, in their own homes.

How to make a report:

Call (307)777-7564 or click on dfs.wyo.gov/about/contact-us/
 This is a link with contact information to each community in Wyoming that has a DFS office. APS abuse/neglect reports can also be made by contacting law enforcement in the community where the abuse is taking place.



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2/1- RAWLINS TRACTOR SUPPLY	1-2PM
2/4 - LYMAN BRIDGER VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH	4-5 PM
2/5 - LUSK SENIOR CENTER	1-2PM
2/5 - WORLAND FAIRGROUNDS	4-5PM
2/6 - PINEDALE RENDEZVOUS POINT	11AM -NOON
2/7- ROCK RIVER FIRE HALL	10:30 -11:30 AM
2/8- BASIN/GREYBULL BASIN FAIRGROUNDS	10 - 11AM
2/13 - MOORCROFT OLD SCHOOL BUILDING	11AM- NOON
2/15- GUERNSEY TOWN HALL	12PM-1PM
2/15- KAYCEE HAROLD JARRAD PARK	9AM- 10AM
2/15 - ROCK SPRINGS WHITE MOUNTAIN MALL	1-2PM
2/18 - BUFFALO JOHNSON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS	NOON- 1PM
2/20 - NEWCASTLE WESTON FAIRGROUNDS	11 AM -NOON
2/21 - WRIGHT MULTIPURPOSE BUILDING	1-2 PM
2/24 - FORT WASHAKIE POWWOW GROUNDS	NOON- 1 PM
2/24- ARAPAHO SCHOOL	NOON- 1 PM
2/27 - SHERIDAN FAIRGROUNDS	9- 10 AM