

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



Social Security Scammers: A Sundance resident received a phishing email pretending to be from the Social Security Administration. The email came from "support-76680752" with an "aliceadsl" domain and had the subject "Your Statement is Here: ID-76680752." It claimed to provide an "enhanced" Social Security Statement and urged the recipient to log in via a link to review their benefits. The email included standard-looking SSA language about checking earnings records and retirement projections, but it was fraudulent. CyberWyoming Note: The SSA will never suspend your number, demand payment, or ask for personal info via email. Most legitimate Social Security emails come from a ".gov" email address. If an email uses a non-.gov address, avoid clicking links or opening attachments. Always report suspected Social Security imposter scams, and other Social Security fraud, to https://oig.ssa.gov/report/.



**Fax Scams Are Still Alive:** A Laramie resident recently received a fax claiming to be from the Deputy Minister of Energy in Russia. In the message, he stated that he needed \$45 million to help him and his daughter flee the country. He claimed his wife died during childbirth and that the money was for his daughter's future. The fax ended by asking the recipient to keep the request secret and not to tell anyone. *CyberWyoming Note: Government officials, foreign dignitaries, or organizations will never contact you by fax or email to request personal financial help.* 

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'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.



Safe at home • Giving families opportunities for success • Supporting the people who support the families





# **Mobile Food Pantries Coming To Your Area:**

SEPT. 2 - LYMAN - BRIDGER VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH Sept. 4 - Pinedale - Rendezvous Point	4P-7P 11A-1P
SEPT. 5- ROCK RIVER - 321 AVENUE D	10:30A-12:30P
SEPT. 12 - HANNA - TOWN SHOP, 407 LOWE STREET	10A-12P
SEPT. 13 - BASIN - FAIRGROUNDS	10A-12P
SEPT. 16 - BUFFALO - FAIRGROUNDS COMMUNITY BUILDIN	G 12-2P
SEPT. 18 - NEWCASTLE - FAIRGROUNDS	11A-1P
SEPT. 19 - WRIGHT - MULTIPURPOSE BUILDING	11A-2P
SEPT. 20 - KAYCEE - HAROLD JARRARD PARK	9A-11A
SEPT. 20 - ROCK SPRINGS - WHITE MOUNTAIN MALL	11:30A-1P
SEPT. 22 - ARAPAHOE SCHOOL	12-2P
SEPT. 22 - EASTERN SHOSHONI TRIBAL HEALTH	12-2P
SEPT. 25 - SHERIDAN - FAIRGROUNDS	9A-11A

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