

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



**Divine Deception:** A citizen reported receiving a scam email from a Gmail account beginning with "pastormail," which was impersonating a real Reverend in Wyoming. The message stated, "do you have a moment I have a request I need you to handle discreetly. I am currently busy in a prayer session, no calls so just reply my email." The email included the Reverend's name, title, and the address and website of the church in Casper, Wyoming, along with a scripture reference (Ephesians 3:8), in an attempt to appear legitimate. *CyberWyoming Note: This is a common scam where attackers impersonate or compromise the email of an authority figure to pressure recipients into quick action. If you receive a suspicious message like this, even from someone you know, do not reply. Always call the person directly using a trusted phone number to confirm its legitimacy.*



**Fake Freebies:** A Wyoming resident reported receiving a scam text from a Connecticut (860) area code. The message offered a fake "FREE moringa Wellness Bundle giveaway" and included a suspicious link from a mypasspass domain, with an instruction to reply "STOP" to opt out. *CyberWyoming Note: This scam uses misspelled words, a fake giveaway, and a suspicious link to trick recipients into clicking or confirming their number by replying, potentially leading to phishing or malware. Do not click links or reply. Report, block the number, and delete the message.*

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](http://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](mailto: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/](https://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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| OCT 1 - WORLAND FAIRGROUNDS                        | 4P-6P         |
| OCT. 2 - PINEDALE RENDEZVOUS POINT                 | 11A-1P        |
| OCT. 3 - ROCK RIVER - 321 AVENUE D                 | 10:30A-12:30P |
| OCT. 7 - LYMAN - BRIDGER VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH     | 4P-7P         |
| OCT. 11 - BASIN - FAIRGROUNDS                      | 10A-12P       |
| OCT. 18 - KAYCEE - HAROLD JARRARD PARK             | 9A-11A        |
| OCT. 21 - BUFFALO - FAIRGROUNDS COMMUNITY BUILDING | 12-2P         |
| OCT. 27 - ROCK SPRINGS - WHITE MOUNTAIN MALL       | 11:30A-1P     |
| OCT. 27 - ARAPAHOE SCHOOL                          | 12-2P         |
| OCT. 30 - EASTERN SHOSHONI TRIBAL HEALTH           | 12-2P         |
| OCT. 30 - SHERIDAN FAIRGROUNDS                     | 9-11A         |

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OR CALL 1-877-265-2172.