



# FBI FRAUD ALERT



If you or a loved one were solicited through a computer pop-up, social media site, dating site, text, email, or phone call by someone you have never met, and answer “YES” to one of the following questions, **you may have been targeted by a SCAM.**

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- Have you been asked to invest in cryptocurrency or in gold futures?
  - Has someone claiming to be a bank or government agency requested money, or for you to liquidate your accounts, in order to clear you of a crime or secure your accounts?
  - Has someone claiming to be a tech or customer support representative requested money to remove a virus or child pornography from your computer or secure your account?
  - Has someone contacted you claiming a family member is in danger or jail, and you must send money now to avoid further harm?
  - Has someone you never met claimed to be romantically interested in you but requests you send them money or something else of value?
  - Have you ever been directed to withdraw cash to purchase gold or silver bars to give someone else?
  - Has someone sent individuals to your home or directed you to meet in a public place to drop off or pick up money, or other items of value, to deliver to an unknown person?
  - Has someone asked you to obtain cash to either purchase gift cards or deposit in a cryptocurrency ATM—or given you a QR code to deposit money into an ATM?
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If you answered “YES” to any of these questions, please go to [www.ic3.gov](http://www.ic3.gov)

for additional resources or to file a complaint with the FBI  
INTERNET CRIME COMPLAINT CENTER (IC3).

Persons 60 and older may call the National Elder Fraud Hotline at [\(833\) 372-8311](tel:833-372-8311) for assistance in filing with IC3.