

SCAM ALERT

Scam: IRS Imposters Target: All Seniors

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has issued a warning regarding a group of scam artists who are telephoning taxpayers and impersonating IRS agents. The scam artists may have tampered with your caller identification to make it appear as if the IRS is calling. The caller may state that you owe delinquent taxes and threaten arrest, deportation, and/or suspension of your driver license unless you provide payment over the telephone through prepaid debit cards or wire transfers.

The caller may call back numerous times and impersonate Law Enforcement or United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) officials or send you threatening emails claiming to be from the IRS and need to collect a debt. This is a scam!

Scam artists impersonate IRS officials!

The Federal Trade Commission and the IRS recommend that you:

- ✧ Be aware that the IRS, Law Enforcement, and USCIS do not initiate contact through email, text messages or social media.
- ✧ Politely ask for call back information and then hang up.
- ✧ Do not open any attachments in unexpected emails.
- ✧ Never give a caller any personal or financial information.
- ✧ Contact the IRS directly if you have concerns about your account.
- ✧ Remember that the IRS will never ask for your PIN, password or confidential access information for your credit or bank accounts.

**If you think you may be a victim of a scam, contact
San Bernardino County Adult Protective Services (APS) at
877-565-2020, or your local police department.**