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JULY 29 THRU AUGUST 4 2020
TIP OF THE WEEK

Hang up on business imposter scams

July 22, 2020

Scammers love to use the same old tricks in new ways. One of their favorites is to pose as a business or government official to pressure you into sending them money or personal information. Now, some scammers are pretending to be popular online shopping websites, phishing for your personal information.

For example, you get a call from someone who claims to be with "Amazon.com." (Spoiler alert: they're not really from Amazon.) The voice on the phone will say that your credit card has been charged a large amount of money for some order. Then, they'll give you the "Amazon Support" phone number and tell you to immediately call if you didn't make that purchase.

If this seems suspicious, that's because it is. Scammers want you to call the number they give so they can ask for your passwords, credit card number, and other sensitive information to get your money. If you get a call like this, there are a few steps you should take:

- Hang up. Don't call them back on the number they gave you. If you're concerned about an order you didn't place, contact the business through a customer service phone number or email you know is legitimate. You can usually find a company's real information on their website.
- Check your credit card account. If you see a charge you don't recognize, file a dispute with your credit card company immediately.
- Report the fake call to the business. Make sure to use the contact information from their website – not the information from the phone call. You can also report the call to the FTC.

If you gave information to a business imposter, head to IdentityTheft.gov for tips to protect yourself. To learn more about imposter scams, visit the FTC's [Imposter Scams](#) page.

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BREAKING AND ENTERING DAYTIME CFS 20-68291

9700 block Peppertree Road, on July 31, 2020 between 8:30 and 8:36am the victim and children were home when the victim hear noise coming from the garage. The victim grabbed a firearm and stood near the inside garage & house door and then heard the male voice say that the tenant had a firearm and they ran outside and to the street. The victim saw the two suspects running towards the street. One is a black male wearing a black shirt and a white male wearing a red shirt. CFS 20-68291

SHOOT INTO VEHICLE-SALEM FIELDS~FAIRFIELD CFS 20-67928

10000 block Gander Court on July 30, 2020 between 3:17 and 9:48am the victim went to the location to meet a person the victim met on-line. Upon arriving two black males came out from behind some bushes and began shooting at the victim. The victim was not struck however two residences were struck. CFS 20-67928

INDECENT EXPOSURE-FOX POINT CFS 20-68165

6200 block Prospect Street on July 30, 2020 between 5:55 and 6:00pm the victim was jogging in the path when an unknown male exposed himself as they passed each other. He was pushing a bicycle is white, 40's, short and a receding hairline. He wore a blue shirt and tan cargo shorts. CFS 20-68165

GRAND LARCENY FROM AUTOMOBILE-CROWN GRANT CFS 20-69165

6200 block Salisbury Drive, on August 3, 2020 between 1:00am and 7:24am unknown person(s) entered three unlocked family vehicles. Taken from a truck was a box of bullets. From another vehicle the contents were scattered and nothing was taken. Taken from the 3rd vehicle is a Canon Digital camera valued at \$750.00. CFS 20-69165

PETIT LARCENY FROM AUTOMOBILE-TIMBERS CFS 20-68053

300 block Maden Street, on July 30, 2020 between 2:05 and 2:25pm someone entered the unlocked vehicle and stole a brown purse with a gold button and a Wells Fargo debit card. CFS 20-68053

PETIT LARCENY OTHER-SPOTSYLVANIA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK CFS 20-69140

Finish Line Environmental, 11765 Capital Lane, between July 29, 11:00am and August 2, 2020 11:58pm someone stole both personalized license plates from the 2004 Honda Civic. CFS 20-69140

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COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY CFS 20-67766

McDonalds, 5642 Plank Road, on July 29, 2020 between 6:00am and 2:00pm an unknown person ordered food and paid with two counterfeit \$20.00 bills. CFS 20-67766

FRAUD-CEDARBROOK CFS 20-68003

5300 block Greentree Drive, on July 30, 2020 between 11:22am and 12:34pm the victim responded to a house rental ad on line and sent a \$700.00 deposit. The victim was instructed to meet at the residence to receive the keys and view the property but the renter did not appear. CFS 20-68003

FRAUD-LAKE WILDERNESS CFS 20-68039

11600 block Wilderness Park Drive, on July 30, 2020 between 12:01am and 1:11pm someone hacked into the victims USAA Visa Debit card PlayStation account and charged \$623.00. CFS 20-68039

FRAUD CFS 20-68801

9119 Dean Ridings Lane, on August 1, 2020 the senior victim hired a moving company to move from Spotsylvania move to Jacksonville, N. Carolina and contacted a company named Stress Free Movers that agreed to a partial payment of \$900.00 and another \$900.00 when all the furniture was delivered. During the move the victim was charged another \$900.00 because of the "furniture volume". The furniture has not been delivered. CFS 20-68801

VANDALISM CFS 20-67976

Luxury Pool & Spa, 9755 Jefferson Davis Highway, between July 29 6:30pm and July 30, 2020 9:52am unknown person(s) cut open 15 bags of pool filter sand from a pallet. The sand is valued at \$195.00. CFS 20-67976

VANDALISM CFS 20-67612

Legion Field, 8818 Courthouse Road, between July 28, 12:00 noon and July 29, 2020 7:00am unknown persons pulled down a rain gutter down spout from the building and damaged or destroyed an AED Defibrillator. Both items are owned by the Spotsylvania County Parks and Recreation Department. Damage is estimated at \$1,020. CFS 20-67612

VANDALISM-TIDEWATER PLAINS CFS 20-68472

10600 block Boxmeer Court, on July 31, 2020 between 6:17 and 7:30pm someone cut the right front sidewall tire causing it to go flat. The tire is a Michelin HX MXM4 black tire valued and is valued at \$300.27. CFS 20-68472

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Crime Solvers Statistics

From January 2000 through December 2019, the Spotsylvania County Crime Solvers has paid out over **\$100,000** in **CASH REWARDS** for information through **2,320** calls to the Crime Solvers Telephone Tip line, Crime Solvers Web Tip page, the former Text-A-Tip phone number, and the new P3 App Tip system. Information obtained has resulted in **207** arrests involving burglaries, drug distribution, arson, vandalism, breaking & entering and other crimes against the citizens of Spotsylvania County. To date there has been **\$164,132** worth of stolen property recovered, and property and assorted types of drugs seized. From June 2010 through December 2019 **64** Wanted Fugitives have been arrested.

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