

"We've detected a virus on your computer. Please give us your password and we'll fix the problem."

"Hi, I'm a friend of your grandson, James. He's in trouble and needs you to send him some money quickly, and he'll explain everything later!"

"Hello, I am a representative of the IRS. I am calling to tell you that you owe taxes that must be paid immediately or we will be calling the police."



Calls and messages like these are SCAMS. Learn how to protect yourself today!

Sonabank is seeing an increase in the number of customers receiving phone calls, emails and text messages from people pretending to be trying to help you but instead are fraudsters attempting to scam you. Protect yourself from fraud with these tips:

- If you didn't contact technical support for your computer or other electronic device and someone reaches out to you, immediately cease communication.
- The IRS will communicate with you first via regular mail before contacting you over the phone or in person. Also, the IRS will not ask for payment via wire transfer or prepaid debit or credit cards.
- Be wary of "friends" you make online. If you have never met them in person and they start to ask for money, they are scamming you.
- Never send money back to someone who sent you a check. The check may seem like it cleared and was successfully deposited into your account but will later turn out to be bad.

If you suspect you have been a victim of fraud, let Sonabank know as soon as possible. We are here to help you!



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