

# SCSO FRAUD RESOURCES



## WHAT TO DO IF...

### An account was opened in your name:

- Contact the account holder (i.e. bank or merchant)
- Report to local law enforcement
- Check your credit using any of the listed resources

### Someone is asking you to send money:

- Verify through other means before sending funds
- Never use an email or phone number they provide
- Never allow remote access to your computer

### Fraudulent charges on your credit card:

- Contact your financial institution
- Report to your local law enforcement

### Identity theft:

- Contact all known places where account(s) were opened
- Contact credit bureaus and have your credit frozen
- Report to your local law enforcement

## FREE CREDIT REPORTS

### CONTACT:

There are three major credit reporting agencies that compile credit reports for individuals.



**EQUIFAX**  
1.800.525.6285



**EXPERIAN**  
1.888.397.3742



**TRANSUNION**  
1.800.680.7289

### How to freeze my credit:

- Call each of the major reporting agencies. They have one business day to freeze your credit once you have provided your personal information.
- Remember to keep the PIN and password they provide to unfreeze your credit.

## ANNUALCREDITREPORT.COM

1.877.322.8228 (TTY 1.800.821.7232)

AnnualCreditReport.com is the only website authorized by the federal government to issue free, annual credit reports from the three CRAs\*.

\*Credit Reporting Agencies



CONTACT THE SARASOTA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AT:

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