Avoiding Identity Theft...Don’t Be A Victim!

- Limit the personal information you carry in your wallet or purse. Only carry what you need on a daily basis. Secure your wallet or purse to avoid theft, even in familiar settings like home and office.

- Keep a complete list of your credit cards in case your wallet or purse is lost or stolen. Call and cancel those cards immediately.

- Have your mail delivered to a secure location. Have it held at the post office if you expect to be gone for any period of time.

- Keep track of your bills and statements and review them carefully. Call your creditor immediately to report inaccurate or suspicious charges.

- Opt Out of solicitations. This will limit mail solicitations that could be stolen. (800-567-8688)

- Shred all personal information prior to disposing in the trash. Anything with your name, address, and / or account information should be destroyed.

- Limit the personal information stored on your computer or laptop. Protect your computer from hackers and viruses with a good firewall and security software.

- Protect your computer and web based accounts with private intricate passwords. Keep them private and hidden from site.

- Be very careful of supplying personal information to websites. Many websites are created for the specific purpose of capturing personal information by phishing.

- Beware of telephone solicitations. Never provide personal information to someone who contacts you over the phone.

- Obtain a copy of your credit report at least once a year. Carefully review for inaccurate, obsolete, and incomplete information.

- Report suspicious activity and correct inaccurate information.

- Consider Credit Monitoring / Insurance services.