



FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION RESOURCES

*According to the World Health Organization, elder abuse is “a single, or repeated act, or lack of appropriate action, occurring within any relationship where there is expectation of trust, which causes harm or distress to an older person.” There are several types of abuse of older adults that are generally recognized, and elder financial abuse or financial exploitation is among them. **Financial exploitation** is an act of inappropriately or illegally misusing an older adult’s money or property. Signs of financial exploitation include significant withdrawals from accounts, belongings or money missing from the home, unpaid bills, and unnecessary goods or services. Services and assistance is available for anyone who feel they may be a victim of abuse, and many of those resources are available within this factsheet.*

Elder Abuse Fact Sheet –

https://ovc.ncjrs.gov/ncvrw2016/content/section-6/pdf/2016ncvrw_6_elderabuse-508.pdf

Joint Statement of Action to Promote Elder Justice in Rural America by The United States Department of Justice and United States Department of Agriculture -

<https://www.usda.gov/media/press-releases/2018/06/15/joint-statement-action-promote-elder-justice-rural-america-united>

United States Department of Justice Elder Justice Initiative -

<https://www.justice.gov/elderjustice>

K-State Research and Extension Elder Abuse and Neglect: What You should Know –

<http://www.aging.k-state.edu/programs/elderabuse.html>

W2191: Elder Financial Exploitation: Impact on Families, 2012-2017. Preventing Financial Exploitation of Older Adults –

<https://www.mrfimpacts.org/single-post/2018/04/16/Preventing-Financial-Exploitation-of-Older-Adults-W-2191-2012-2017>

Colorado State University Extension Why Should I Care About Abuse of At-Risk Adults? –

<http://extension.colostate.edu/topic-areas/family-home-consumer/why-should-i-care-about-abuse-of-at-risk-adults-9-155/>

Rural and Tribal Elder Justice Resource Guide - <https://nifa.usda.gov/program/adult-development-and-aging-programs>

National Center on Elder Abuse - <https://ncea.acl.gov/>

National Adult Protective Services Association - <http://www.napsa-now.org/>

National Association of Area Agencies on Aging - <https://www.n4a.org/>

National Center on Elder Abuse Elder Abuse Guide for Law Enforcement - <http://eagle.trea.usc.edu/>

University of Southern California Training Resources on Elder Abuse - <http://trea.usc.edu/>

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, Finance Tools for Older Adults - <https://www.consumerfinance.gov/practitioner-resources/resources-for-older-adults/>

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau Helping to Prevent Scams Targeted at Veterans -
https://www.consumerfinance.gov/about-us/blog/helping-prevent-scams-targeted-veterans/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=oa_fiaoa

Federal Trade Commission Fighting Fraud and Identify Theft in Your State -
<https://www.consumer.gov/statewebinars>

Federal Trade Commission Free Resources to bulk order - <https://www.ftc.gov/>

Corporation for National and Community Service Senior Corps Special Initiative: Elder Justice - <https://www.nationalservice.gov/programs/senior-corps/elder-justice>

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Fraud Prevention Toolkit -
<https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Outreach/Partnerships/FraudPreventionToolkit.html>

U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Information for Senior Citizens -
https://www.hud.gov/topics/information_for_senior_citizens

U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs Fiduciary Service -
<https://www.justice.gov/elderjustice/video/veteran-s-benefits-administration-va-fiduciary-service-webinar>

U. S. Postal Inspection Service Let's Stay Safe Financially –
<https://www.justice.gov/file/1104551/download>

U. S. Postal Inspection Service Delivering Trust - <http://deliveringtrust.com/>

U. S. Securities and Exchange Commission Investor Education for Seniors -
<https://www.investor.gov/seniors>

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Protect Yourself Against Investment Fraud -
<https://www.sec.gov/investor/seniors/guideforseniors.pdf>

U. S. Social Security Administration Awareness Campaign -
<https://oig.ssa.gov/newsroom/scam-awareness>

AARP BankSafe Initiative - <https://www.aarp.org/ppi/info-2015/age-friendly-banking-an-initiative-promoting-the-financial-resilience-of-people-age-50.html>

AARP Fraud Watch - https://www.aarp.org/money/scams-fraud/?cmp=RDRCT-CON-FRD-FRDWCHNET_SEP2018

Elder Care Locator Critical Conversations: Older Adults and Elder Abuse –
<https://eldercare.acl.gov/public/resources/brochures/docs/factsheet-elder-abuse-508.pdf>

Elder Care Locator Protecting Your Pocketbook: Tips to Avoid Financial Exploitation -
<https://www.n4a.org/files/EL-Protect-pocketbookv1-508.pdf>

Elder Care Locator Home Improvement Scams: Tools to Reduce Your Risk –
<https://www.n4a.org/files/n4a-hi-scams-brochure-access.pdf>