



SVGFIU Fraud Alert: Beware of COVID-19 Related Scams!!!



REFRAIN FROM:

- Providing personal, banking or financial information via the phone, email, social media or text.
- Purchasing medical or protective equipment online from disreputable or questionable sources.
- Downloading suspicious attachments or links.

UNLESS:

- You verify the legitimacy of the request or transaction by directly contacting or researching the relevant governmental office, health office, charitable or official organization.
- You seek verification from guidelines issued by:
 1. The government regarding the disbursement of stimulus payments or COVID-19 contact tracing procedures.
 2. Financial Institutions as it pertains to online banking verification procedures.