



National "Slam the Scam" Day

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Earlier this month, we celebrated National "Slam the Scam" Day. A day designated by the Inspector General for the Social Security Administration to raise public awareness of government imposter telephone scams. In 2020, the Federal Trade Commission received more than 178,000 complaints of government imposter scams. Of those, 10% said they lost money to a scammer—a total of \$174.2 million.

To help you prevent any scams, please use caution when receiving calls from someone claiming to be from a Government Agency. Please use the following guidelines to protect yourself from any potential scams:

- Hang up on suspicious calls from "government officials" calling about a problem with your Social Security number or account.
- NEVER make payments with gift cards, wire transfers, or by mailing cash.
- Report Social Security scams to [OIG.SSA.GOV](https://www.oig.ssa.gov).
- Report other scams to <http://reportfraud.ftc.gov>.

Do not hesitate to reach out to my office if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Rob



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