



Identity Theft: What You Should Know

If you believe that your personal information has been compromised, it is imperative that you take immediate action.

- Report the incident to law enforcement by filing a police report
- Place a fraud alert on your credit report

The following resources can help you get the information you need to react swiftly and accurately.

The Ohio Attorney General's Office

The Ohio Attorney General's Consumer Protection Section has an Identity Theft Unit to help victims of identity theft work with credit reporting agencies, creditors, collectors and any entity that may have obtained personal information under fraudulent circumstances. Visit www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov or call 1-800-282-0515.

The Ohio Department of Public Safety

The Ohio Department of Public Safety has a guide for victims of identity theft called "When Identity Crime Strikes You." To view it, go to <http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/ohp0524.pdf>.

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC)

The FTC is the nation's consumer protection agency. It produces helpful information for victims of identity theft, including tips for filing a crime report. If you suspect that you are a victim of credit report fraud, visit www.consumer.ftc.gov/topics/privacy-identity.