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Tips to Avoid Identity Theft

Protecting Your Personal Information

Taking a few simple steps can help reduce your risk of identity theft.

Protect Personal Documents

Store financial records, Social Security, Medicare cards, and other sensitive documents in a secure location. When disposing of documents with personal information, shred them or black out account numbers before throwing them away.

If you receive statements with personal information by mail, collect them from your mailbox promptly.

Be Careful with Your Social Security Number

Only provide your Social Security number (SSN) when necessary. Organizations such as the IRS, banks, and employers may require it, but they generally will not call, email, or text to request it.

Before sharing your SSN with other organizations, ask:

- Why do you need it?
- How will you protect it?
- Can another identifier be used?
- Can you use only the last four digits?

Stay Safe Online and on the Phone

Use strong passwords and enable multi-factor authentication (MFA) whenever possible. MFA adds an extra layer of security by requiring additional verification, such as a code sent to your phone or a biometric scan.

Never provide personal information to someone who contacts you unexpectedly by phone, email, or text. Imposter scams remain a leading cause of consumer fraud losses.

How to Tell if Your Identity Has Been Stolen

Even with precautions, identity theft can happen. Watch for these warning signs:

- New accounts in your name: Review your free credit report at AnnualCreditReport.com for unfamiliar accounts or inquiries.
- Unauthorized bank or credit card activity: Check statements regularly and sign up for transaction alerts.
- Tax-related fraud: Be alert for IRS notices about multiple tax returns filed in your name or income from an unknown employer.
- Medical identity theft: Review medical bills and insurance Explanation of Benefits (EOB) statements for services you did not receive.
- Unemployment benefit fraud: Watch for notices about unemployment claims you never filed.

If you believe your personal information has been misused, visit IdentityTheft.gov to report the theft and get help with recovery.

Customer Appreciation Meal

On the evening of July 7, we had the pleasure of hosting our annual Customer Appreciation Meal as a small way to thank our valued customers for your continued support and partnership. Guests enjoyed a delicious meal catered by Mepo Foods, along with coffee and cupcakes from Jilly's. We truly appreciate your business and look forward to serving you for years to come!





July 4th in Morning Sun

Parades

Our team enjoyed celebrating with the communities we serve by participating in two great local parades this month.

We kicked off the festivities at the Morning Sun Fourth of July Parade, where we shared plenty of smiles, waves, and treats along the way.

Later in the month, we were proud to take part in the Chief Wapello Days Parade in Wapello. It was a wonderful opportunity to connect with community members, celebrate local traditions, and enjoy the fun and excitement of this longtime annual event.

We always appreciate the chance to be part of the communities we call home and look forward to seeing you at future events.



Chief Wapello Days



UPCOMING EVENTS!



Mediapolis Town & Country Day's Parade

August 29th



Please help us congratulate Amy Whitaker on her work anniversary!



Amy Whitaker
29 years



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