

# Beware of Phone Scams



Securing today  
and tomorrow

Social Security wants you to know about widespread phone scams where scammers pretend to be government employees. They may tell you about a Social Security-related problem to gain your trust and steal your money. We want you to hang up on scammers – help us “slam the scam”!



## ***IF YOU RECEIVE A SUSPICIOUS CALL:***

- 1** Hang up
- 2** Do not give money or personal information
- 3** Report the scam at [oig.ssa.gov](https://oig.ssa.gov)



Social Security may call you in some situations but we will never:

- » Threaten to arrest you unless you pay a fine or fee
- » Suspend your Social Security number
- » Require immediate payment from you by cash, gift card, pre-paid debit card, or wire transfer
- » Demand secrecy in dealing with a Social Security problem

***Protect yourself, friends, and family: don't forget to “slam the scam”!***