

## **Stay Smart, Stay Safe – Let’s Talk About Scams**

We’ve recently heard that some homeowners within our community have been targeted by scams—and in a few cases, significant financial losses have occurred.

First and foremost: there is absolutely no embarrassment or shame in this. Today’s scammers are highly sophisticated. They are skilled at gaining trust, creating urgency, and identifying vulnerabilities. This isn’t just about technology—it’s about human connection, timing, and pressure.

### **Scams can come in many forms:**

Phone calls claiming to be from banks, law enforcement, government agencies, or tech support

Emails or texts asking you to click links or provide personal information

Requests for urgent payments, gift cards, or wire transfers

Real-Life Examples — What To Do

### **Your Bank Calls You**

Hang up immediately.

Then call the number on the back of your bank card—not the number that called you.

### **A Family Emergency Call or Text**

Hang up.

Call or text your child or grandchild directly using the number you already have and ask: “Did you just contact me?”

### **A Simple Rule to Remember**

If it sounds too good to be true... it probably isn’t true.

If it feels rushed, unexpected, or just “not quite right”—  
pause and verify.

Your HOA is currently exploring ways to better support homeowners, including helping verify requests, connecting you with trusted resources, and providing future information sessions on scam awareness.

If you ever feel unsure, you don’t have to figure it out alone.

**We’re stronger when we look out for one another.**

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