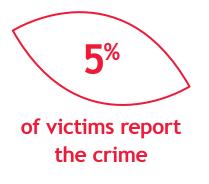


people fall victim to scams or fraud every year



Estimated losses to the UK economy from scams and fraud per year



All fraud should be reported to Action Fraud, however where the victim is vulnerable or elderly you may wish to contact your local police on 101.

Action Fraud Reporting online www.actionfraud.org.uk

Telephone reporting 03001232040

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### Remember

- Be Wise. Be Safe. Be Sure.
- If in doubt don't do anything.
- Speak to a friend or relative.



For more information, email scamsfraudopm@salvationarmy.org.uk



Older People's Ministries

If swindled speak out

# SCAMS & FRAUD Be Wise, Be Safe, Be Sure,

### Wisdom and money can get you anything... but only wisdom can save your life

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### Common types of scams & fraud

#### **Letterbox**

Fake promises of lottery or prize wins, cheap 'miracle cures', home products or vitamins; false predictions of the future; claims from pretend lawyers or officials about a Will or pension. All these ways are to entice you to part with your money. If it looks too good to be true - it probably is.

#### Telephone

Conversations to encourage you to part with your personal details and financial information - selling worthless shares, nonexistent land, pension promises, false faults with your computer or internet connection. Invest in a call blocker device

#### Computer

Emails from fraudsters pretending to be your bank asking you to share personal information, passwords and bank account details. Enticing emails with romantic intentions preying on your emotions to extort money; false claims of refunds due to you if you make a payment. Send all such emails to the trash bin.

#### Doorstep

Conmen selling goods or services that are not needed and overpriced or scammers posing as salesmen in order to enter your home to steal. Always ask for ID and use reputable tradesmen.

## A victim may...

