

We are seeing multiple attempts of fraud across our Lower Hudson Valley footprint.

Please note the following important reminders:

- 99.9% of employment or business opportunities involving gift cards are fraudulent.
- Phone calls regarding arrested relatives who need money are usually fraud especially, if a stranger offers to come to your home or meet you to pick up the money.
- Financial Institutions will NEVER ask for your passwords. Don't share passwords over the phone or via email.
- Please contact your local branch if you have questions. Please share this information with your parents, neighbors, relatives or elderly friends.



Unfortunately, during the past two years, scammers have stepped up their efforts to fool people into giving up their personal information. Remain vigilant in protecting your personal information, especially knowing scammers increased efforts.

FRAUD PREVENTION RESOURCES

Please check these links for more information on Scams:

- <https://www.fbi.gov/scams-and-safety/common-scams-and-crimes/romance-scams>
- <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/features/scam-alerts>
- <https://www.ftc.gov/about-ftc/office-inspector-general/ftc-imposter-scams>
- <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/media/video-0212-how-report-fraud-reportfraudftcgov>