

BEWARE OF SCAMS TARGETING OLDER ADULTS

Cashiers can help to prevent financial abuse.

\$2.9 billion is taken from older adults each year.

Scammers use gift cards or money orders because they cannot be traced. They may falsely identify themselves as representing a government agency, legitimate company, charity, family member or friend in trouble, and convince older adults they owe or won money.

LOOK FOR:

- Amounts exceeding \$500 being sent to personal accounts or unknown companies
- Multiple gift card purchases in large denominations

ASK:

ASK “Why are you buying such a large amount of gift cards or money orders? Someone may be trying to scam you.”

SUGGEST “If you believe you may have been the victim of a scam, call the police or I can call for you. For more information about scams, call the Federal Trade Commission at 1-877-382-4357.”

KNOCK OUT ELDER ABUSE! Elder abuse severely affects the health and financial stability of older adults.

YOU can make a difference!