Protect yourself against identity theft:

- Do not carry all credit cards or your social security card.
- Check your credit report for accuracy at least once a year.
- Don’t give out personal information on the phone, through the mail, or over the internet unless you know who you are dealing with.
- Shred financial documents and paperwork with personal information before discarding.

Common ways identity theft happens:

1. Dumpster Diving
2. Skimming
3. Phishing
4. Changing Your Address
5. “Old-Fashioned” Stealing

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