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VIDEO: Attorney General Moody Urges Older Floridians to Watch Out for Fraud Ahead of National Senior Citizens Day



TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—Ahead of National Senior Citizens Day, Attorney General Moody is asking older Floridians to watch out for fraud. Florida is home to [more than 5.5 million seniors](#). Attorney General Moody is highlighting efforts to protect these Floridians from fraudulent schemes. After taking office in 2019, Attorney General Moody launched Florida's Senior Protection Team, an intra-agency group of experts working together to fight fraud. Last year, the team secured more than \$1 million in financial relief for Florida seniors.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "Florida may be known as the Sunshine State, but we are also a silver state—and we prioritize protecting those who choose to live out their golden years here. Ahead of National Senior Citizens Day, we're asking older Floridians to watch out for fraud and highlighting efforts to help seniors avoid falling victim."

Attorney General Moody's Senior Protection Team consists of members from the Office of Statewide Prosecution, Consumer Protection Division and Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. Together, the team fights elder abuse and fraud as well as develops strategies to help seniors avoid falling victim to scammers or criminals. Since Attorney General Moody took office in 2019, the Senior Protection Team secured more than \$8 million in financial relief for Florida seniors.

Attorney General Moody also:

- Hosted a [symposium](#) for seniors in June at The Villages and shared tips on how to avoid falling victim to cryptocurrency schemes and honored outstanding volunteers of the Seniors vs. Crime program;
- Launched the [Scams at a Glance](#) initiative to provide low-tech, in-depth resources to educate older Americans about major scams; and
- Released the [Cybercrime and Seniors Guide](#) that highlights common schemes targeting older Floridians and offers tips about how to spot, report and avoid falling victim to fraudulent schemes.

To learn more about Attorney General Moody's Senior Protection Team, click [here](#).

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