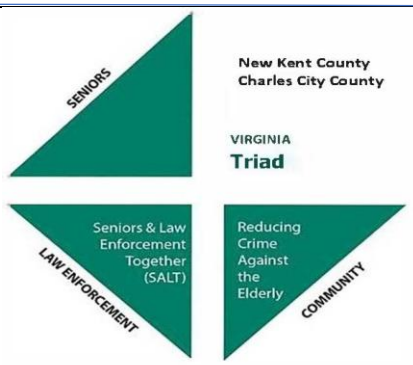

Chickahominy Area Triad

Scam/Fraud Alert Bulletin #29

Be Aware, Be Smart, Stay Protected

Serving the Counties of New Kent and Charles City, VA.

Type	Synopsis of Reported Incidents
Fraud - SCAM	The victim was on his computer attempting to log in to his investment account selecting a link that he thought was the legitimate website for the Schwab account. When he attempted to gain access to his account a pop-up appeared on his screen and advised that there was an account error, and he needed to contact the phone number on the screen. He called the phone number and spoke with "David" who was an IT specialist for Schwab. "David" advised the victim that his account had been compromised and an individual had put in an order for $14,000.00 with Bitcoin. The victim was instructed to take out $14,000.00 in cash and deposit it into a Bitcoin machine to start a new transaction for Bitcoin. This new transaction would then help "David" cancel the false charge; the victim complied. The victim was told he would be contacted by noon to confirm the new account had been established. By noon the following day, the victim had not received a call and realized he had been the victim of a scam.
Fraud - SCAM	The victim received a call from the "Navy Federal's Fraud Department." The caller informed the victim that he needed to move his money to prevent him from being a victim of fraud. The victim was instructed to transfer $1400 from his Navy Federal checking account to a partner bank virtual card, "GO2bank" on a virtual card specifically; victim complied. The victim was then instructed to transfer an additional $1500 from his Navy Federal credit card using the same process but a different bank; again, victim complied. The suspect instructed the victim "wait on the line" to confirm the transactions had been completed, and as soon transactions

	were confirmed, the suspect disconnected from the victim. Victim immediately became skeptical of the situation and called the Navy Federal Credit Union. A Navy Federal Credit Union representative advised the victim that they did not call him, and this had been a scam.
Fraud - SCAM	The victim reported receiving an email from someone posing as being from the Stafford County Sheriff's Office. The fake Sheriff's Office representative advised the victim that he missed court and needed to pay a "voucher" or face consequences. Being suspicious, the victim immediately contacted the Sheriff's Office and reported the incident.
Fraud - SCAM	The victim reported receiving a message on his computer about an error with his investment account. Using the phone number provided in the message, the victim contacted an individual who advised the victim needed to transfer money into Bitcoin to cancel the error. The victim knew this was a scam, disconnected and alerted the local law enforcement authorities.
Fraud - SCAM	The victim reported that he had received a call from someone posing as a law enforcement officer. The fake officer informed the victim he had missed court in Alexandria and needed to pay using cryptocurrency to avoid being arrested. Victim disconnected immediately and reported the incident.

NOTE: This above reported occurrence is true. They **did not** **occur within New Kent County or Charles City County, Virginia,** however, it was reported to law enforcement agency within the state of Virginia. Stay alert, do not become a victim.

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