



Weather Can Bring More Than Damage

Severe weather can cause serious disruption—and unfortunately, it can also create opportunities for scammers. After a storm, be extra cautious of unexpected calls, texts, and offers related to repairs, utilities, or financial assistance.

Door-to-Door Repair Scams

You may be approached by someone who “noticed damage” and offers quick repairs. Be cautious if they:

- Pressure you to decide immediately
- Ask for payment upfront
- Can't provide a written estimate or clear business information

Tip: Taking time to get multiple quotes can help you avoid costly mistakes.

Utility Company Imposters

Scammers may claim they're from a utility company and say:

- Your service will be shut off
- A payment is overdue
- You must “verify” your account information

Remember: Utility companies will not ask for passwords, one-time codes, gift cards, or cryptocurrency. ALWAYS verify before providing sensitive information. If something feels off, hang up and call back using an official phone number.

Insurance or “Help” Offers You Didn't Request

After storms, fraudsters may offer to “help” with insurance claims or provide financial assistance. Be cautious if someone asks you to:

- Pay fees upfront
- Share sensitive personal or financial information
- Act quickly before you can verify who they are

ALWAYS verify before providing sensitive information or making payment. It's okay to hang up and call back using a trusted, official number.