

Guard your wallet as well as your heart.

A romance scam is when a new love interest says they love you, but they really just love your money—and may not be who they say they are.

Be on the lookout for these romance scams:

- A new love who lives far away asks you to wire them money or share your credit card number with them—even if they say they'll pay you back.
- Your new romantic interest asks you to sign a document that would give them control of your finances or your house.
- Your new sweetheart asks you to open a new joint account or co-sign a loan with them.
- Your new darling asks for access to your bank or credit card accounts.

Report in-person romance scams to local law enforcement. Report online romance scams to [ftc.gov/complaint](https://www.ftc.gov/complaint).

