

Scams involving your Social Security number and benefits are on the rise!

Here are the facts:

- Government employees will not threaten to take away benefits or ask for money, gift cards, or personal information to protect your Social Security number or benefits.
- Scammers can fake your caller ID. So don't be fooled if the call seems to be from the SSA or the SSA Inspector General's Fraud Hotline number.
- If a caller asks for your Social Security number, bank account number, or credit card information, hang up.

Report Social Security phone scams to the SSA Inspector General online at oig.ssa.gov. Visit identitytheft.gov/ssa for more tips.