



# DISTRICT 5 NEWS

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Happy Thanksgiving & Stay Safe!

### Greetings District 5,

Our office has continued to proceed with our regularly scheduled events during the pandemic while adhering to the state's social-distancing guidelines. At the end of October, we honored community leaders, partners, and employees who have helped our office serve the citizens of Fulton County and especially those in District 5 during this year during COVID-19. Our annual District 5 Community Awards Dinner was drive-thru style and safe for all attendees.

In November, we hosted our [Annual Blanket Atlanta With Love](#) and were able to offer meals, clothing, blankets, shoes, toiletries, flu vaccinations, and COVID-19 testing to Atlanta's homeless. Special thanks to the HOPE team, [Dr. Marcus Green](#), [East Atlanta Macaroni Kid](#), [Fulton County Board of Health](#), and Ms. Full-Figured Georgia for helping us serve citizens in need. To whom much is given much is required.

Please peruse my latest newsletter and stay connected with our office.

Yours In Service,

*Marvin Arrington, Jr.*

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# 2020 BLANKET ATLANTA WITH LOVE



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# D5 COMMUNITY AWARDS



It was a pleasure to award [Hosea Helps](#) with Non-Profit of the Year. With Hosea's assistance, our office has been able to feed hundreds of families in District 5 during the economic hardship caused by COVID-19. We were also pleased to recognize the [Emmaus House](#), which is a nonprofit that has helped meet the needs of our citizens in Peoplestown and surrounding East Atlanta communities.

Special thanks to Rev. McGhee of Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 1118, Inc. for the work he does to support our veterans in Fulton County. Likewise, we recognized Anna Roach, Fulton County Chief Operating Officer as employee of the year for her leadership this year during the pandemic. As always, I thank my staff for their hard work and diligence in coordinating this event for those who helped us help others.



# SCAMS TARGETING SENIORS

Created by the Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas, Inc.  
Made possible through grant funds awarded by Senior Citizen Services, Inc.



## 1 COMMON SCAMS

### SWEEPSTAKES SCAM

You've won a contest! All you have to do is claim your prize by paying some fees or taxes in advance.

### HOME IMPROVEMENT SCAM

Someone wants to work on your home, but needs to be paid before the job starts. Once you pay, the job is never done.

### COMPUTER REPAIR SCAM

Someone reports your computer has a virus. You either have to allow them to access your computer remotely or you have to download a free program to fix it.

### GRANDPARENT SCAM

Someone claiming to be your grandchild needs money now.

### ARREST SCAM

Someone claiming to be a police, lawyer, or IRS agent is arresting you for overdue taxes. You can avoid it by sending money.

### DISTRACTION SCAM

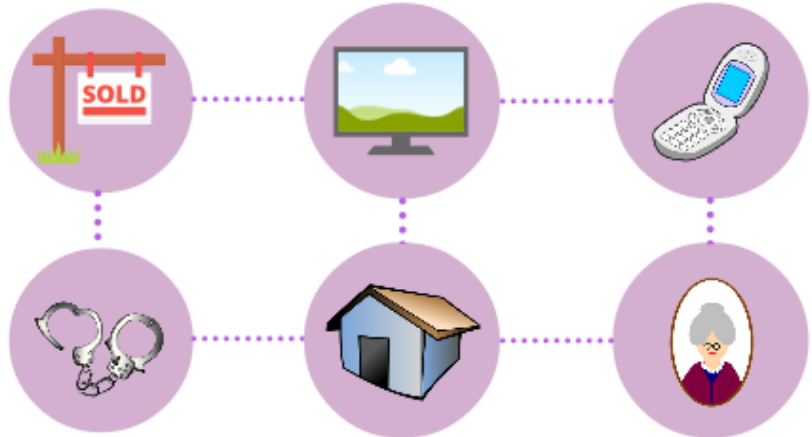
One scammer distracts the victim while the other scammer steals the victim's belongings.

### FUNERAL SCAM

Someone sells a fake burial plot and puts their name on the check rather than the business's name.

### INSURANCE SCAM

Someone poses as an insurance representative to capture personal information. They bill the insurance and pocket the money.



## 2 TIPS TO AVOID SCAMS

KNOW THE PERSON YOU ARE DEALING WITH

DON'T ANSWER THE PHONE TO SOMEONE YOU DON'T KNOW

BE CAUTIOUS WHEN GIVING OUT PERSONAL INFO

READ YOUR BANK STATEMENTS

DON'T ALLOW STRANGERS IN YOUR HOME

## 3 REMEMBER, REPORT!

REPORT FRAUD

CALL YOUR BANK OR CREDIT CARD COMPANY

CALL THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

1-877-382-4357 TO FILE A COMPLAINT

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

MAKE AN 'IRS' SCAM REPORT

[HTTP://WWW.TREASURY.GOV/TIGTA](http://www.treasury.gov/tigta)

