

Scams that Target the Military

Active Service Members and Veterans



Current Scams to Watch Out For

Veterans Charities Scams: Fraudsters posing as veterans or members of veterans' organizations are soliciting donations for a supposed organization supporting veterans, service members, or military families. However, the supposed charities are fake and the money goes right into the pockets of fraudsters.

Tip: *Only give to charities you know and trust rather than those that solicit you at home!*

Veterans Affairs, Defense Finance and Accounting Services ("DFAS"), or VA Hospital Phishing Scams:

Veterans receive a phone call from a fraudster posing as a representative of the Department of Veterans Affairs, DFAS, or a Veterans Affairs Hospital. Veterans then are asked to provide personal information, including their social security number, in order to "update their files."

Tip: *Never provide personal information to anyone over the phone or by email, especially unique identifiers such as a social security number or credit card number.*

U.S. Army CID Phishing Scams:

Cyber criminals are attempting to pose as members of the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command ("CID") or some other military investigative organization, and emailing members of the military and their families, telling them that they have supposedly discovered fraudulent activities with a company that the victim had contact with. These criminals then ask the victim to provide personal information, including sensitive financial information, so that these investigators can determine whether a person's identity or financial security has been "compromised."

Tip: *Soldiers, civilians and family members are all advised to delete such e-mails immediately upon receipt. Do not respond to the e-mail and report it to the U.S. Army CID's "Report a Crime" branch at usarmy.belvoir.usacidc.mail. crime-tips@mail.mil.*

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