IDENTITY THEFT/INTERNET FRAUD

Identity Theft

Identity theft is one of fastest growing crimes worldwide. You can be a victim of identity theft if someone else uses any of your identifying information without your consent for an unlawful purpose. Identifying information includes any document, photograph or computer image, name, birthdate, Social Security number, driver's license or government ID number, telephone number, banking account numbers, student ID or employee ID numbers.

Internet Fraud

With the growing popularity and convenience of on-line retail and auction sites, internet fraud and scams are issues we need to be aware of and know how to avoid.

If you know or believe you are a victim of identity theft or internet fraud, contact the local police department and/or the Messiah University Department of Safety (717-691-6005) to make a report.

Below are some resources to help you learn more and protect yourself. <u>Federal Trade Commission | Identity Theft & Online Security</u> <u>Scams and Safety — FBI</u> Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) | FBI