



# TAKE ACTION AGAINST COVID-19 SCAMS



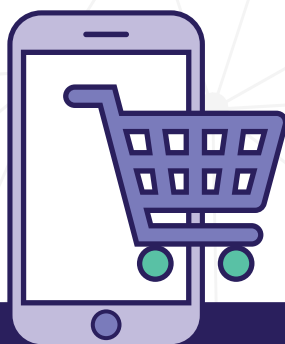
## CHARITY SCAMS

You may see charities that you don't recognize asking for donations in the wake of COVID-19.

### TAKE ACTION

If you donated to a fraudulent charity, visit [FightCybercrime.org](https://fightcybercrime.org) for recovery help.

Verify all charities before donating on the [IRS tax exemption site](https://irs.gov/charities-non-profits).



## ONLINE SHOPPING SCAMS

Cybercriminals may try to sell you bogus COVID-19 vaccinations and home test kits.

### TAKE ACTION

If you have purchased a fake vaccine or home test kit, visit [FightCybercrime.org](https://fightcybercrime.org) for recovery help.

Visit the [Federal Trade Commission](https://www.ftc.gov) to learn more about companies selling fake coronavirus treatments.



## PHISHING SCAMS

Emails impersonating the World Health Organization, the CDC, and other reputable sources may hit your inbox. These emails may ask you to click a link or share your sensitive information.

### TAKE ACTION

If you've clicked on a phishing link or shared personal information, visit [FightCybercrime.org](https://fightcybercrime.org) for recovery help.

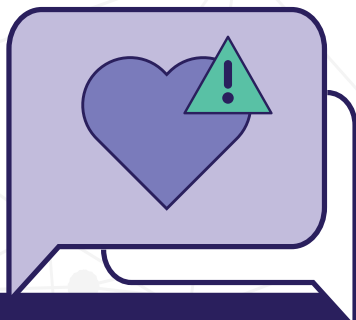


## ROBOCALLS

Calls from cybercriminals pretending to be government organizations, family members in distress, or banks/credit card companies are on the rise. These calls will often ask for a payment to be sent in the form of a gift card or over a peer-to-peer (P2P) payment system.

### TAKE ACTION

If you have provided personal information to a robocaller, visit [FightCybercrime.org](https://fightcybercrime.org) for recovery help.



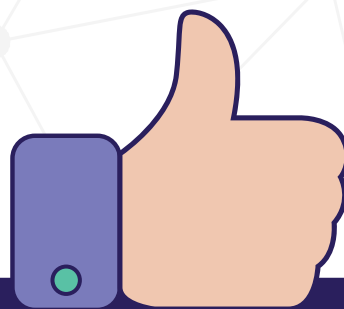
## ROMANCE SCAMS

Cybercriminals will try to capitalize on the heightened internet traffic to lure people into romance scams.

### TAKE ACTION

If you find yourself involved in a romance scam, visit [FightCybercrime.org](https://fightcybercrime.org) for recovery help.

They will often ask for gift cards for medical expenses or bills.



## SOCIAL MEDIA SCAMS

Social media is a tool that cybercriminals use to distribute false information and capitalize on panic.

### TAKE ACTION

If you're looking for information on social media, visit trusted profiles like the [CDC](https://www.cdc.gov), [World Health Organization](https://www.who.int), [Federal Trade Commission](https://www.ftc.gov), and the [Better Business Bureau](https://www.bbb.org).