



EMERGENCY-GRANDPARENT SCAM

Fraudsters are targeting seniors by calling and pretending to be a family member in distress, the police or a justice official claiming that a loved one or grandchild is in trouble, and needs money immediately. **Victims are told there's a gag order, and can't speak to anyone.**

PROTECT YOURSELF



Fraudsters...



Call demanding immediate payment for bail, or fines to avoid going to jail

Remember! The courts won't ask for cash to bail out someone in custody, and will require people to be present in court.



Claim to be a lawyer, police or family member in an emergency situation demanding funds

Be suspicious of calls that require immediate action. **Hang up!** Call your local police and contact the family member directly.



Request cash and send couriers for pick up, or demand the victim send cash by courier services or via cryptocurrency

Never send cash, cryptocurrencies or any other funds to unknown persons, unverified addresses or bank accounts.

If you believe you have been scammed, contact your local police and the **Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre:**

1 (888) 495-8501 / antifraudcentre.ca

Fraud. Recognize. Reject. Report.