

COMMON SENSE TIPS FOR INTERNET SAFETY

AVOID SCAMS

- *Check the sender's email address.
- *Be suspicious of unsolicited emails that request personal information.
- *Check messages for grammar and spelling errors.
- *Beware when money is required up front.
- *Urgent language is a red flag.

PROTECT YOUR DATA

- *Use a long, unique password and avoid using the same password for multiple sites.
- *Consider using a password manager like LastPass or Keeper.
- *Require a password for access to your Wi-Fi.
- *Avoid accessing online banking from shared or public computers.

STAY SAFE

- *If you receive threatening or harassing messages online, notify law enforcement.
- *Keep any threatening or harassing messages as potential evidence.
- *Teach kids how to responsibly behave online and how to safely respond to potentially dangerous situations.

CLICK CAREFULLY

- *Don't click on attachments and links without knowing their true origin.
- *Avoid visiting unsecure websites, especially while using public Wi-Fi.
- *Be cautious about what and where you share online—think before you post!

SHOP SMART

- *Only shop from reputable online retailers.
- *Use a safe and trusted payment method when shopping online.
- *Check to make sure the site is security enabled—look for URLs with <https://>