NEVADA IDENTITY THEFT PROGRAM

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FOUR IMPORTANT STEPS ALL IDENTITY THEFT

VICTIMS SHOULD TAKE

FILE A REPORT WITH YOUR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AND APPLY FOR A NEVADA IDENTITY THEFT PROGRAM CARD.

By filing a police report, you will be eligible to apply for the Nevada Identity Theft Program Card. This program will help you work with creditors and law enforcement to identify that you are the victim of alleged wrongdoing committed using your good name.

CLOSE THE ACCOUNTS YOU KNOW OR BELIEVE HAVE BEEN TAMPERED WITH OR WRONGFULLY OPENED.

Call and speak with someone in the security or fraud department of the bank or credit card companies. Follow-up each call in writing and keep copies of these letters. If an identity thief has made charges to your account, ask the company to send you the forms to dispute the charges.

PLACE A FRAUD ALERT OR FREEZE ON YOUR CREDIT REPORTS AND REVIEW YOUR CREDIT REPORTS.

Fraud alerts can help prevent an identity thief from opening more accounts in your name. Contact one of the three credit reporting agencies (Equifax, Experian, or TransUnion) to place a fraud alert on your credit report. Once you request a fraud alert, you are entitled to a free credit report. Nevada law also allows victims of identity theft to request their credit records be frozen for free. The request must be made in writing to the three credit reporting agencies. The agencies have 5 days from receipt of the request to begin the freeze. The freeze ensures a consumer's credit information is not released and no new credit is issued without the consumer's approval.

FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION (FTC).

Filing a complaint with the FTC will give law enforcement agencies across the nation important information to help them track down and stop identity thieves. The FTC may refer complaints to other agencies for further action, as well as investigate companies for violations of related laws. You can file a complaint on the FTC's website at www.consumer.gov/idtheft.

HOW THE NEVADA IDENTITY THEFT PROGRAM CAN HELP YOU

Recovering from identity theft can take time, money and patience. Some victims have lost job opportunities, been denied loans or been arrested for crimes they did not commit.

As a responsible consumer, you can take steps to manage your personal

information and minimize the risk of

becoming a victim of identity theft. When you deal with personal information, always take measures to protect its secrecy.

However, even if you have been careful about protecting your personal information, an

identity theft can still occur.

Should this happen to you, the Nevada

Identity Theft Program can help.

The Nevada Identity Theft Program provides victims a way to show law enforcement and creditors they have reported the theft of their personal information. It can help in the process of repairing a victim's credit and

IDENTITY THEFT LAWS IN NEVADA

NRS 205.463 makes it a crime to use the personal identifying information of another individual with the intent to fraudulently obtain credit, property or services. It also takes into account computer and Internet technology by making it a crime to aid or abet another person in securing this personal identifying information. Anyone convicted of using another person's identity can be punished with up to twenty years in prison and a \$100,000 fine.

STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS TO OBTAIN YOUR PROGRAM CARD

- 1. File a local police report and request a Nevada Identity Theft Application.
- 2. Complete the Application and mail it to one of the following Attorney General's Office locations:

Northern Nevada:

Nevada Office of the Attorney General General Investigations - Identity Theft Unit 100 N. Carson St., Carson City, NV 89701

Southern Nevada:

Nevada Office of the Attorney General General Investigations - Identity Theft Unit 1 State of Nevada Way, Suite 100 Las Vegas, NV 89119

3. After the application is mailed, please allow 4 to 6 weeks for notification as to whether you qualify for a Program Card.

DOCUMENTS YOU WILL NEED TO **FILE A POLICE REPORT**

- 1. Proof of Identity: (one of the following) Valid Driver's License containing the same address information as provided in application; certified U.S. issued birth certificate; U.S. Passport; U.S. Military Identification; Certificate of Citizenship or Naturalization; Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood; Consular report of Birth Abroad; Permanent or Temporary Resident Card; Resident Alien Card or I-551 Receipt; Valid Foreign Passport stamped "Processed for I-551"; Arrival -Departure Record (I-94) with Visa or Passport; Permit to Reenter the U.S.; Refugee Travel Documents
- 2. Proof of Social Security Number: (at least one of the following) State License or ID with number listed; Social Security Card; U.S. Military Identification; Original DD-214 Military Separation Form; Social Security Benefits Documentation

WHERE TO COMPLETE THE **IDENTITY THEFT PROGRAM**

Please visit the appropriate	Elko Police Department	North Las Vegas Police Depart-	Washoe County Sheriff's Office
Law Enforcement agency based on	Esmeralda County Sheriff's Office	ment	Washoe Tribe Police Department
(1) where the theft occurred,	Eureka County Sheriff's Office	Nye County Sheriff's Office	West Wendover Police Depart-
(2) or if a Nevada resident,	Fallon Police Department	Pershing County Sheriff's Office	ment
where you live:	Henderson Police Department	, , ,	White Pine County Sheriff's Office
	Humboldt County Sheriff's Office	ment	Yerington Police Department
Boulder City Police Department	Lander County Sheriff's Office	Reno Police Department	
Carson City Sheriff's Office	Las Vegas Metropolitan Police	Sparks Police Department	
, Churchill County Sheriff's Office	Department	Storey County Sheriff's Office	
, Clark County Park Police Depart-	Las Vegas Paiute Tribal Police Department	Truckee Meadows Community College PD	
ment Clark County School District Police	Lincoln County Sheriff's Office	Department of Police Services/ UNLV PD	
Dept.	Lovelock Police Department	University Police Services/UNR PD	
College of Southern Nevada Police	Lyon County Sheriff's Office	Walker River Tribal Police Depart-	
Department	Mesquite Police Department	ment	
Douglas County Sheriff's Office	Mineral County Sheriff's Office	Washoe County School District	
Elko County Sheriff's Office		Police Dept.	

For more information on the Nevada Identity Theft Program go to www.ag.nv.us

IDENTITY THEFT APPLICATION

Please complete this Application with Law Enforcement personnel, then mail to the Nevada Office of the Attorney General location as instructed in this brochure.

Full legal name:			
Date of birth:	Driver's license/state ID card number:		
Current mailing address:			
Daytime telephone: ()	Evening telephone: () Cell phone (optional): ()		
Type of identity theft incident assoc	ated with this Application: (Check all applicable)		
Credit Card	Checking or Savings Account Loan Phone or Utilities		
Securities/Other Investments	 Internet or E-mail Government Benefits 		
IRS/Soc. Security Number	Other Records		
Law Enforcement Agency:			
Agency	(Officer/agency personnel taking report) (Date of report)		
(Case number, if any)	(Phone number)		
the best of my knowledge. I unde	ty Theft Program, I declare the information I have provided in my Application is true and correc erstand my Application is for a Nevada Identity Theft Program Card only and is not an alternative t for the Nevada Office of the Attorney General to initiate any investigation or resolve any crimin		
Applicant Signature	Date Signed		
Applicant's information has been ve	rified by agency personnel taking the report by these documents pursuant to NAC 205.050.		

□ A valid government-issued photo identification card (for example, driver's license, state-issued ID card, or passport).

Proof of Social Security

(Officer/agency personnel taking report)