

Financial Protection

- Freeze your credit (Free for all 3 Bureaus)
 - Equifax: <http://www.equifax.com/personal/credit-report-services/>
 - Experian: <http://www.experian.com/freeze>
 - TransUnion: <http://www.transunion.com/credit-freeze>
- Phone Applications: Equifax Lock, Experian website, and Alert & TransUnion Apps
- Credit Karma (<https://www.creditkarma.com>) is a free website that monitors your credit and user accounts. It will alert you if it discovers your information in a data breach.
- Multifactor authentication on all accounts or Authenticator App if available
- Set transaction alerts on bank accounts / credit cards and lock unused credit cards.
- Social Security multifactor authentication (Set up account with your personal cell number). <http://www.ssa.gov>
- Call your cell phone provider and add a Personal Identification Number (PIN) to your account to help prevent unauthorized access.
- Use Website and App Password manager (found under passwords and accounts in settings) if you have personal iPhone or select another password management App.
- Password reset questions:
 - Do not use commonly found information (mother's maiden name, street grew up on)
- Federal Trade Commission Opt Out to remove your information from marketing lists:
 - Call **1-888-5-OPT-OUT**
 - Register your cell number on <http://www.donotcall.gov>
- Online searches delete list:

As part of a strategy to reduce your online exposure to potential criminal exploitation, the Digital Investigations Bureau recommends that you contact vendors that sell your personal information and OPT-OUT of their services. The following is a list of some of the private companies that sell your information online. You can request to have your information removed from these databases. The process usually involves searching each site for your information, selecting the records that match your profile, entering your email address and selecting the option to remove the record. Most companies will send you an email to verify your request.

1. <https://isapps.acxiom.com/optout/optout.aspx>
2. <https://www.beenverified.com/app/optout/search>
3. <https://infotracer.com/optout/>
4. <http://www.instantcheckmate.com/optout>
5. <https://www.intelius.com/optout>
6. <https://www.spokeo.com/optout>
7. <https://thatsthem.com/optout>
8. <https://www.truthfinder.com/opt-out/>
9. <http://www.xlek.com>
10. <https://www.fastpeoplesearch.com/removal>

Computer / Tablet Protection

- Secure your home Wi-Fi and all connected Internet-of-Things devices with different strong passwords that you change frequently.
- Be sure to use current operating system in Windows/Mac.
- Allow automatic updates for the operating system, anti-virus, or applications.
- Delete unused apps on mobile devices and update existing apps.

Online Protection

- Social Media – Consider what you share:
 - Make accounts private (including profile photos and posts)
 - Do not post or share locations.
- Cybersecurity safety tips
 - ***<http://www.consumer.ftc.gov/features/feature-0038-onguardonline>***
 - ***<http://www.cybersmartnv.org>***
 - Use a Virtual Private Network (VPN) application to encrypt your communication when connected to untrusted networks.

Home Protection

- Create a living will to protect your assets.
- Establish advance directives for medical care.
- Homestead properties