



# CLO CONSULTING GROUP

## **ROMANCE SCAM**

Everyone wants love and with everything just a click away, technology has made it quite easy to manifest such human desire. You have dating websites, social networking sites, and chat rooms that are only a website platform away from finding the perfect match. Let's not discredit the fairytale stories that have a happy ending but rather focus on the unpleasant more frequented stories of those who are left heartbroken and depleted financially.

This one scam alone is in the lead with a loss of \$211 million dollars. Romance Scams exceeded most other internet crimes tracked by the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint (IC3).

## **IRS OR GOVERNMENT SCAM**

You receive a phone call and an official voice greets you on the other end disguised as the IRS or any other form of government capacity and that you owe money. The threat to sue you or that the police will be at your residence in an hour because there is a warrant for your arrest are made in an aggressive tone. To settle this situation, you are asked to put money on a prepaid card or purchase gift cards. Call looks and sounds legitimate because the caller id shows a local number. Have you ever called the IRS? How long did it take for them to answer?

## **LOTTERY SCAM**

You have WON! You may get a phone call, a letter through the mail, or an email. You may have won the lottery, a trip, a car, or the sweepstakes. If it's a phone call the caller is super excited to get this prize to you, BUT you must first send money. What would you do?

## **PHISHING/SPOOFING E-MAILS**

You receive an email that looks legitimate from a company, organization (bank, credit card companies), or a government agency. They will request for you to transfer money or to update personal information that would give access to your accounts. If the email appears to be from CEO of the company stating that he need's you to transfer \$100,000.00 and it's not common for that kind of request how would you handle?

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## **RELATIVE IN DISTRESS**

"Is this grandma? this is Billy." The caller tells grandma that he was involved in an accident or was arrested. The caller will pretend to have a law enforcement officer who will arrest the grandson but all that could be avoided if she sends money. Sounds familiar or know of someone who was victimized?

## **TECH SUPPORT**

You get a call from someone who identifies, as a computer technician with a well-known software company or your internet provider. You are told your computer has viruses or malware and it can be fixed if you give him/her remote access. By allowing them access they are privy to see everything on your computer.

## **CLO Consulting Group mission is to empower you with strategies and safety tip information that will:**

- Prevent being squandered out of your hard-earned money
- Identity if you have a scammer on the phone or behind that computer screen
  - Methods used to find target
  - Ways to prevent from being victimized
  - Prevent from becoming a money mule
- To whom do you report these types of incidents

Our presentations are customized for group settings or one-on-one consultation. We believe that prevention is key to anyone being emotionally deceived and squandered out their hard-earned money.

Just like you wake up in the morning to have a cup of coffee to start your day, so do scam artist who get behind a computer screen looking for their next prey.

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