COMMON SUMMER FRAUDS & HOW TO AVOID THEM

VACATION & APARTMENT RENT SCAM

RED FLAGS

- Lower than market rents
- Refusal to show property
- Payment outside normal channel

PREVENTION TIPS

- Confirm ownership and listing agent
- Never send money directly to an individual
- Work with a trusted agent

TEXT AND EMAIL SCAMS

RED FLAGS

- Sense of urgency to act
- Threats of fines or unauthorized purchases
- Text & emails are from unknown sources

PREVENTION TIPS

- Ignore messages from unknown sources
- Verify legitimacy outside the contact sources
- Don't rush to respond

IMPOSTER SCAMS

RED FLAGS

- Sense of urgency in responding
- Ask for information they should know
- Want you to share passwords

PREVENTION TIPS

- Don't trust caller ID
- Never give out information
- Hang up and report the attempt

FAKE JOBS

RED FLAGS

- Unbelievable pay rate
- Asking for an application fee
- Only tasks being to use your account

PREVENTION TIPS

- Sources your job opening through legit sites
- Research State or Federal company databases
- Don't overshare personal information