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The Crime and Loss Prevention Council (CLPC) of the ASIS International (ASIS), strives to bring quality Loss Prevention Information to our membership as well as the Loss Prevention Community. In an effort to provide current Crime and Loss Prevention Information to the ASIS Membership and the Loss Prevention Community the CLPC will be publishing a Periodic Newsletter highlighting the most up to date information on Loss Prevention issues around the globe. The CLPC has an international membership body assigned to this Newsletter and those members will be providing a world view of Crime and Loss Prevention trends. Security and Loss Prevention Professionals as well as ASIS members, please feel free to take the information contained in this Newsletter and share it with your co-workers, associates, members of other Professional Organizations, friends and family in an effort to bring as many people as possible current on the latest global trends in Crime and Loss Prevention Issues. Recipients of this Newsletter are also encouraged to share new and ground breaking trends in Crime and Loss Prevention with the CLPC so this information can be passed along to all readers of this Newsletter and Security and Loss Prevention Professionals. Please send your submissions to: jyoungblood5@cox.net

Beware of E Scams

In light of past Hurricanes, the public is reminded to beware of fraudulent emails and websites purporting to conduct charitable relief efforts. To learn more about avoiding online fraud, please see "Tips on Avoiding Fraudulent Charitable Contribution Schemes" at: <http://www.ic3.gov/media/2011/110311.aspx>

What to do after your wallet or purse has been stolen

If your wallet or purse is stolen or lost you may have only minutes to protect your finances and your identity. Your wallet is just what identity thieves want. Identity thieves use your credit card and checking accounts to open new accounts using your name. That could create problems for you that can take months to detect, and even longer to fix.

If your wallet is lost or stolen, the Federal Trade Commission suggests that you:

- File a report with the police immediately. Get a copy of the report in case your bank, credit card company or insurance company needs proof of the crime.
- Cancel each credit and charge card. Get new cards with new account numbers.
- Report missing credit cards to each (all) of the major credit reporting agencies:
 - [Equifax](http://www.equifax.com) - 1-800-525-6285 or (800)-685-1111
 - [Experian](http://www.experian.com) - 1-888-397-3742
 - [Transunion](http://www.transunion.com) - 1-800-680-7289 or (800) 888-4213
- Report the loss to your bank. If any information about your bank accounts was present in your wallet or purse (such as a check book, canceled check or deposit slip) then cancel checking and savings accounts and open new ones and stop payments on outstanding checks.
- If your ATM card was in the wallet, get a new ATM card, account number and PIN or password.
- Call your utilities, including your telephone company. Tell them that someone may try to get new service using your identification.
- Report your missing driver's license to the department of motor vehicles. Get a new number that's not your social security number.
- If your keys were taken, change the locks on your home. Remember, they now know where you live. Don't give an identity thief access to even more personal property and information.

Source: <http://www.consumerfraudreporting.org/ifyourwalletisstolen.php>

Chase Bank's Identity Theft Kit

To further protect against Identity Theft and Fraud visit the Website below and download the Chase Bank's Identity Theft Kit:

<http://www.consumerfraudreporting.org/cfr.php?URL=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.chase.com/cm/shared/crb/file/document/pdf.pdf>

Survey's for Money Scams

Surveys for money are very popular on the Internet these days. These surveys promise you financial rewards in exchange for a few minutes of your time while you complete an online survey. But it's important to know that while there are many legitimate paid online surveys, there are also countless survey scams. These scams only want you to fill out a survey or worse, they want access to your personal information. So before you start filling out survey after survey, here's how you can tell the difference.

Survey Scams Will Promise You a Great Income

One of the best ways to tell that a survey for money is a scam is that they will promise you can make hundreds or thousands of dollars in a very short time. Legitimate online surveys are a great way to make pocket change but truthfully, that's probably all it will ever be. Legitimate surveys usually pay \$1 – \$3 per survey filled out, and they'll probably only send you one or two surveys a week. Any site that is promising you more than this is most likely a scam.

Survey Scams Will Want Your Personal Information

The only personal information a legitimate survey site will ever ask you for is your personal opinion, and perhaps your street address or PayPal address so they can make payments to you. But if a company ever asks you for your banking information or your credit card information, you can be sure it's a scam, and one of the worst kinds! These sites only want access to your financial information so they can empty your accounts. These sites are actually looking to take your money, not to give you more.

Do Your Research

To tell the difference between survey scams and legitimate survey sites, you'll definitely want to do your research. Research the company by Googling them, or go onto forums and see what people are saying. There are many forums set up for just this purpose and users will relate their experiences here and you can find out if it's a company you want to work with, or stay away from!

Voice Your Opinion on CLPC Questions

Please be sure to visit the Crime and Loss Prevention Council ASIS International Site on Linked In to provide comments on the currently posted questions and to review other Council activities:

http://www.linkedin.com/groups?mostPopular=&qid=2493456&trk=myg_ugrp_ovr

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