



— THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE —
DISTRICT *of* ARIZONA

Welcome to the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Arizona.

The United States Attorney's Office for the District of Arizona is the chief federal law enforcement agency in Arizona. Our office is responsible for prosecuting violations of federal law.

We prosecute cases ranging from firearms trafficking to fraud relating to tribal gaming, and from bank robberies to theft of artifacts, protected plants, wildlife as well as cultural resources, violent crime in Indian Country, health care fraud and mortgage fraud.

Fraud Prevention

Mortgage fraud scam artists know what to say to give people false hope in saving their homes, especially consumers who are having trouble making their payments. In this moment of vulnerability, scam artists lurk with deals that are *'too good to be true'* and usually leave the homeowner in a worse situation. Don't let yourself or someone you know be the next victim of mortgage fraud.

To raise awareness of these scams, our office is reaching out to community and civic groups like yours to join in combating mortgage fraud and giving consumers the tools to prevent these disasters before they begin.



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Learn About | Mortgage Fraud

- 1. "Mortgage Assistance Relief Scams" or Foreclosure Rescue Scams**
Some companies use half-truths and even outright lies to sell their services. They promise relief, but don't deliver. Learn about these scams and the variety of tactics fraudsters use to find homeowners in distress.
- 2. Deceptive Mortgage Ads**
Learn to recognize deceptive ads and the buzz words they use to convince consumers to call and get caught up in the scam.
- 3. Avoid Predatory Lending**
Learn tips to identify predatory lending practices. These unscrupulous lending practices can increase the cost of homeownership and rob the borrower of equity.
- 4. Home Equity Conversion Mortgages for Seniors**
Reverse mortgages are increasing in popularity with seniors who have equity in their homes and want to supplement their income. Learn why it is important to find a reverse mortgage insured by the U.S. Federal Government.
- 5. Emerging Schemes**
Keep up-to-date on emerging schemes designed to take your hard earned cash.
- 6. Tips**
Learn about the tools used to combat mortgage fraud.

To schedule a presentation on the topics above, contact our Community Outreach Director.