



Member Notice | Potential Fraud – Phishing Scheme

Phishing is an internet crime in which individuals are contacted by email, telephone, text message or even US mail by someone posing as a legitimate institution to lure individuals into providing sensitive data such as personally identifiable information like SSN or banking and credit card details, and passwords.

The information is then used to access accounts and can result in identity theft and financial loss. The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) offers the following tips to avoid falling victim to a phishing scam:

Do not reply to email or pop-up messages which ask for personal or financial information. Do not click links in the message, and do not cut and paste links from the message.

Do not call phone numbers listed in these messages.

Use anti-virus and anti-spyware software and update them regularly.

Do not email personal or financial information.

Review credit card and account statements as soon as you receive them.

Be cautious about opening any attachment or downloading files from emails.

If you are concerned about your account, contact the 1st Choice Credit Union directly by a telephone number you know to be genuine, or open a new Web browser session and type in the company's correct Web address. 1st Choice Credit Union's phone number is (404) 832-5800, and Web address is www.1stChoiceCU.org.

If you believe you have been the victim of a phishing scam, please contact us and refer to the FTC's site for more information:

<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-recognize-and-avoid-phishing-scams#recognize>