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April 2022 Newsletter Topics



Tax-Related Identity Theft:

You may not know you are a victim of identity theft until you are notified by the IRS of a possible issue with your return.



Protect Your Child's Identity:

The potential impact of identity theft on a child's future is significant, affecting their ability to gain approval on student loans, obtain employment, or secure a place to live.



Federal Trade Commission Releases 2021 Fraud Statistics:

In 2021, 5.7 million people filed reports and described losing more than \$5.8 billion to fraud — a \$2.4 billion jump in losses in one year.



Scammers Pretend to be the FTC...Again!:

Scammers are back at it, pretending to be FTC Commissioner Rebecca Kelly Slaughter and staff at the FTC.



Florida Mosquito Awareness Week:

Throughout Florida, there are over 80 species of mosquitoes which vary in diversity of size, color, and behavior.



Food Safety for Small Gatherings

Whether you are cooking for a large family, a small gathering for friends, or making a simple meal, you can take steps to help keep foodborne illness off your menu.

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