



# TIPS to Share

## Texting Scams

Text scams are among the most common tactics scammers use to steal personal information. Last year alone, scammers sent out 87.8 billion spam text messages and defrauded victims of over \$10 billion.

Texts claiming missed delivery notifications from UPS or others, "Is this you?" messages purporting to be from a friend or colleague, messages claiming that your bank is closing your account?

Texts claiming that you've won a prize or sweepstakes, claiming that your debit or credit card has been locked, messages supposedly from the IRS or other government agencies, messages from your own number?

Texts claiming that your payment for subscription services didn't go through, about purchases you didn't make (fake fraud alerts)

Two-factor authentication scam text messages?



### Prevention TIPS

Don't respond, Don't click on any links, Block the number, Delete the scam text, Resist the urge to mess with scammers.



**Be Fraud AWARE...**

**from the Fraud Aware Team**

First Bank & Trust Company, (07.01.2024) 10 Text Message Scams:

<https://www.firstbank.com/resources/learning-center/10-text-message-scams-you-didnt-know-about-until-now/>

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Where there is no counsel, the people fall; But in the multitude of counselors there is safety