



Click here if you are the victim of credit card fraud or theft for additional information and resources section (Do not put this underline section on the page).

Welcome to the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office Citizen's Online Reporting System. In using this internet reporting system you will be able to report the crime or incident and print a copy of the report for free. **If you are the victim of identity theft or fraud please get and keep all papers, receipts, cancelled checks, mail from companies, etc. related to this crime.** We may contact you to get these items if needed and you should keep copies for your records.

There are some groups you should get in touch with if you are the victim of identity theft or fraud, some will ask for the report number you get at the end of this online police report process.

Agency	Web URL	Contact Tel. Number
Equifax	<a href="http://www.equifax.com">http://www.equifax.com</a>	1-800-525-6285
Experian	<a href="http://www.experian.com">http://www.experian.com</a>	1-888-397-3742
Trans Union	<a href="http://www.transunion.com">http://www.transunion.com</a>	1-800-680-7289
U.S. Federal Trade Commission	<a href="http://www.ftc.gov">http://www.ftc.gov</a>	1-877-438-4338
Department of Motor Vehicles	<a href="http://www.dmv.ca.gov">http://www.dmv.ca.gov</a>	1-866-658-5758

## Helpful Tips:

- Protect your social security number and only give it out when required by law.
- No bank, auction site or other business should send you an email asking you to enter credit card information, passwords, social security numbers or other personal information. Often these fake emails will contain links to pages that look real but are not. If you suspect you are being directed to a fake site please go to the actual home website of the company and inform them of what has happened.
- Avoid mail theft by obtaining a locked mailbox and dropping off outgoing mail at the local post office or postal mailbox.
- Do not give out your personal information or credit card number over the phone unless you initiated the call.
- Shred credit card offers and bank statements before you throw them away if you do not plan on using them.