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National Strategy for Combating Scams Act of 2025

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Americans are confronting an unprecedented surge in scams as technological and criminal methods grow more sophisticated. In 2024, consumer losses from fraud exceeded \$12 billion, a 25% increase from the previous year. Criminals increasingly utilize advanced tools like generative AI and voice deepfakes to deceive victims. Older adults are especially vulnerable, experiencing significant mental health and financial impacts. The Government Accountability Office (GAO) identified at least 13 agencies involved in anti-scam efforts, each working independently under different mandates and authorities. The GAO has [recommended](#) that the FBI take the lead in creating a National Strategy for Combating Scams to enhance federal coordination and effectiveness in fighting these crimes.

The National Strategy for Combating Scams Act of 2025 will:

- Establish a federal working group that is to be formed within 90 days by the FBI Director that includes over a dozen federal agencies (FTC, CFPB, DHS, SSA, etc.);
- Create a national strategy for reporting scams that includes input from scam victims, seniors, law enforcement, nonprofits, and businesses.
- Define “scam” and assess risks;
- Establish a standard for reporting; and
- Increase coordination between Federal, State, and local governments and the private sector.

Supporters

- AARP
- Aspen Institute Financial Security Program
- Chamber of Progress
- Global Anti-Scam Alliance, North America Chapter
- Justice in Aging
- National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys
- National Adult Protective Services Association (NAPSA)
- National Asian Pacific Center on Aging (NAPCA)
- National Association of Social Workers (NASW)
- National Caucus and Center on Black Aging, Inc. (NCBA)
- National Center for Victims of Crime
- National Crime Prevention Council
- National Sheriffs’ Association
- Stop Scams Alliance

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