



IRS IMPOSTER SCAMS

October 29, 2018

Contact Information:

Cathedral City
Police Department

68700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero
Cathedral City, CA 92234

Phone: (760) 770-0303

CCPD Website
www.cathedralcitypolice.com

IRS Direct
1-800-829-1040

IRS Website
www.irs.gov

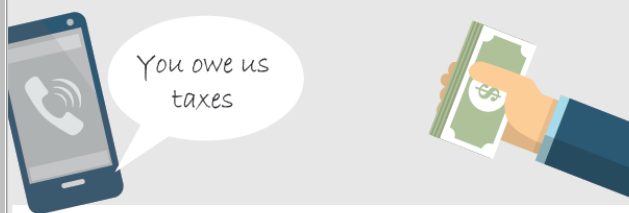
Treasury Inspector General
for Tax Administration
1-800-366-4484
www.tigta.gov

FTC at ftc.gov/complaint
1-877-FTC-HELP

ftc.gov/IRSimposters
Federal Trade Commission
April 2018

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) is the government agency that collects federal taxes.

Scammers pretend to be IRS officials to get you to send them money.



Date: January 2, 2018

CONFIRMATION NUMBER: A-562-357-8230-9-US

Dear: [redacted]

This letter is to notify and confirm that you [redacted] was randomly selected in the Publishers Clearing House Sweepstakes where you were awarded Four Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$4,500,000.00).

We have not received any payments brought forward on your winnings and we are happy to let you know that once these are all cleared up your check will be processed immediately and ready for payout.

Please note that any money submitted on payments brought forward on your winnings are 100% refundable payment. These payments will be refunded once all the documents have been processed and submitted to the treasury department.

Your check has been processed and approved and is ready to be transferred to your accounts, however there is a pending check verification letter, which is signed and authorized by the INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (I.R.S) and the FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION (F.T.C) which goes along with your check, this verification letter makes your check 100% redeemable at any bank of your choice.

The total tax that will be withdrawn from your winnings is (\$742,500.00) (16.5%) and this payment is mandatory. All payments must be submitted and brought forward by January 30, 2018.

Below are a list of requirements that must be submitted before the check is available to cash. These requirements are strictly enforced by the UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

1. Government approval stamp (IRS/FTC) \$15,000.00 PENDING
2. State clearance fee (IRS/FTC) \$27,000.00 PENDING
3. Check verification letter (IRS) (5% of total fee) \$37,125.00 PENDING
4. Wire transfer processing fee \$5497.89 PENDING

NOTE: THIS TRANSACTION WILL BE DONE BY THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK, AND WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT THEY WILL GET THE JOB DONE.

HOW THE SCAM WORKS



GOT A CALL?

- Don't give the caller information** such as your financial or other personal information.
- Write down details** such as the number and name of the caller.
- Hang up**
- Contact the IRS directly**
If you're worried the call is real, contact the IRS directly at **800-829-1040** or go to irs.gov.
- Report the call**
File a complaint with:
 - the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at tigta.gov or **800-366-4484**.
 - the FTC at ftc.gov/complaint or **877-FTC-HELP**.
- Warn friends and family**
Tell people you know that these calls are scams.

WARNING SIGNS

How will the IRS first contact you?	
phone call	NO
email	NO
mail	YES

How will the IRS ask you to pay?	
with a prepaid debit card	NO
with a money transfer	NO
won't require a specific type of payment	YES

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