

## Cumberland Police Department

### Identity Theft Information

**IF SOMEONE HAS STOLEN YOUR IDENTITY YOU MUST;**

Call the Federal Trade Commission Identity Theft Hotline (1-877-438-4338) or contact them on the web at [WWW.CONSUMER.GOV](http://WWW.CONSUMER.GOV) to fill out an Identity Theft Complaint.

This enters your case in the FTC's Consumer Sentinel database, a nationwide list of ID theft cases which can be used by law enforcement officers to find patterns and catch criminals.

**Also file a complaint by visiting [www.in3.gov](http://www.in3.gov)**

You should also notify all of the major credit reporting bureaus and ask that your file be flagged with a "fraud **alert tag**" and a victim's statement. Insist that the fraud alert remain in place for 7 years. Also request a copy of your credit report, look it over and make them aware of any fraud accounts appearing on your report.

Experian: 1-888-397-3742 [www.experian.com](http://www.experian.com)

Equifax: 1-800-525-6285 [www.equifax.com](http://www.equifax.com)

Transunion: 1-800-680-7289 [www.transunion.com](http://www.transunion.com)

S.S.A. Fraud Hotline: 1-800-269-0271 [www.SSA.gov](http://www.SSA.gov)

**If your checks or credit cards were taken:**

Notify your bank or Credit Card Company and have them change your account number  
Call the Credit Reporting Bureaus placing fraud alert  
This is extremely important if any form of your identification was taken.

**If your Social Security Card has been taken:** Call the Social Security Administration FRAUD HOTLINE to notify the and request a duplicate card, also contact the Credit Reporting Bureaus make sure no fraudulent accounts are being opened.  
Here are other web sites that you may find helpful.

[www.idsafety.org](http://www.idsafety.org)

<http://www.forwardedge2.com/default.aspx>

[http://indiana.uscity.net/Identity\\_Theft/](http://indiana.uscity.net/Identity_Theft/)

<http://www2.indystar.com/forums/showthread.php?t=158378>