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Craigslist has really grown in popularity over the last few years. On Craigslist, you can find almost anything you want or need -- cars, furniture, clothes, even jobs and personal ads. Too bad numerous scammers can also be found on this Internet phenomenon also.

One very common fraud being used is the lure of a car being sold at a fantastic bargain. The claim is that that car belongs to a soldier serving overseas and that the car is being shipped back to the United States, but they need money for expenses immediately and are selling the car. When the potential buyer sends the money the scam is complete, and the car never materializes.

Another scam recently shut down was a man attempting to rent out a house he did even own, luckily he was arrested. However, he was able to collect thousands of dollars before he was apprehended. But for the people who had already fallen victim to his scam, the money is gone forever. A little bit of background work and checking would have helped those prospective renters to avoid this scam and save their money.

There are also fraudulent employment offers, and extreme caution should be taken with all of them, especially when they are promising the opportunity to work from home. These offers are almost always nothing more than another scam which requires the prospective employee to pay fees up front for the "job". However, if you are pursuing a job through Craigslist and the point is reached where there will be a telephone conversation, you can use telephone look up services such as quicknumbersearch.com/Illinois/Chicago/312/383.htm quicknumberlookup.com/Illinois/Chicago/312/383.htm to do some background checking on the caller.

Anytime you are considering making a purchase on Craigslist or applying for a job, it's important to do some research and be cautious. Before sending money you should always require a personal review of the item or some type of guarantee on it. Personal ads should especially be treated with extreme caution as there are people out there looking to take advantage of lonely souls trying to make a connection.

Its a sad fact that many people never receive items they sent payment for. They end up losing their money, with no way of getting it back. The best way to avoid a scam is to pick up your items yourself. Doing this allows you to check the item out before any money is exchanged.

Providing free listings for goods and services, Craigslist can be a great resource for many people. Unfortunately, it has also become a breeding ground for fraudulent dealings. By taking some simple precautions, you can avoid being duped or cheated out of your hard earned money.

This site, as with others, caution that if someone wants money wire transferred to a distance location or sent in money order or cashiers check, be concerned. It is best to buy locally and meet the sellers face-to-face to exchange funds. Additionally, you should never give out personal information and, most of all, use gut instinct to decline any offers that sound too good to be true.

To find out more about telephone look ups that can help you prevent frauds, visit quicknumberlookup.com/Massachusetts/Lynn/781/586

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