

Coffee with a Cop - Fraud Prevention for Seniors

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The Saint John Police are launching a series of fraud prevention sessions aimed at empowering the senior members of our community.

This initiative is a direct response to the fraudulent activities targeting the elderly population, which is often the most vulnerable due to a lack of familiarity with digital platforms and the increasing sophistication of scams. In the last 3 years, those aged 65 and over are making up a larger percentage of fraud victims in Saint John.

These educational sessions are designed to increase awareness about different types of prevalent fraud schemes such as phone, online, and mail scams. The sessions will provide practical strategies for recognizing, preventing, and reporting such fraudulent activities.

The first two sessions will be held in person at the Saint John Police Headquarters at 1 Peel Plaza in Saint John on Monday, February 5, 2024, and Tuesday, February 27, 2024, from 3:00-4:30 p.m. No registration is required.

These sessions will be facilitated by a detective from the Major Crime Unit who specializes in fraud investigations. Community Centers are also welcome to request an educational session in their neighbourhood by visiting this link: [Request a Community Appearance | Saint John Police Force](#)

By investing in preventative measures, we can safeguard our community's most vulnerable members, reducing their victimization and the associated costs to the community and law enforcement. This program aligns with our commitment to public safety and community engagement, serving as a proactive measure in crime prevention.

Together a safe, secure, healthy community