

# Identity Theft

*Below you will find links to resources that provide information about protecting yourself and your family from identity theft in Tennessee. Additionally, you can find information on how to seek aid from a lawyer, if needed. Some areas of the state have more information than others. You may wish to look at information from other areas in addition to your own.*

## **National Resources:**

The following resources are provided by the Federal Trade Commission:

### [Protecting Your Identity](#)

Use this resource to find important information steps you can take to reduce your risk of identify theft. Along with general information, this guide covers many topics relating to identity theft. These include: warning signs, child identity theft, medical identity theft, and more.

### [How to Keep Your Personal Information Safe](#)

Protecting your personal information can help reduce your risk of identity theft. This article provides the four main ways to project your information online and offline.

### [Recovering From Identity Theft](#)

If you have been a victim of identity theft, this guide provides information and resources on how to report and recover identity theft.

## **Statewide Resources:**

### [Identity Theft - What to do if it Happens to You](#)

If you have been a victim of identity theft, follow the steps listed in this guide from the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation immediately.

## **Additional Resources:**

### [Fraud Hotline](#)

If you know an older person who has been victim of a scam or fraud, the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging has set up a toll-free hotline to help at 1-855-303-9470. It is available weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST.

## Legal Advice:

### [TN Free Legal Answers](#)

If you are in Tennessee, the website, Free Legal Answers, allows you to ask a lawyer for help with a legal issue at no cost. It is fast and easy, and all you need is a computer. This is a FREE service for people who cannot afford a lawyer.

How it works:

- You will answer a few questions to see if you qualify for their service. If you qualify, you will have the option to create an account.
- If you are eligible, you can ask their volunteer attorneys a non-criminal legal question.
- Once your question receives a response, you will get an email. You will need to sign into the website to read your response and ask any additional questions.

Visit <https://tn.freelegalanswers.org/> to sign up.

## Forms:

### [Standard Court Forms for all of Tennessee](#)

This resource contains standard court forms for all of Tennessee that approved for all counties. If you need help filing one of these forms, you can ask a lawyer in your area.

Still need assistance? Please speak to a librarian at your local library. They may have additional resources to assist you.

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