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## **Tips to Help Protect Our Elderly from Financial Exploitation**

Date & Time: Wednesday, November 23, 2016

Location: Citywide

EL PASO, TEXAS: Investigators with the Special Victims unit of the El Paso Police Department would like to offer the following tips to ensure proper protection of the finances of our elderly.

- Exercise due diligence when hiring independent care providers
- Always use a reputable company when hiring care providers
- Never share personal identifying information (PIN numbers, Account Information, etc.) with a care provider or anyone else
- Do not entrust your debit or credit cards to anyone to make purchases on your behalf
- Keep a close eye on your financial statements and monitor your bank accounts and those of your loved ones
- If you feel you or a loved one is being financially exploited by a care provider or anybody else, notify law enforcement

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