



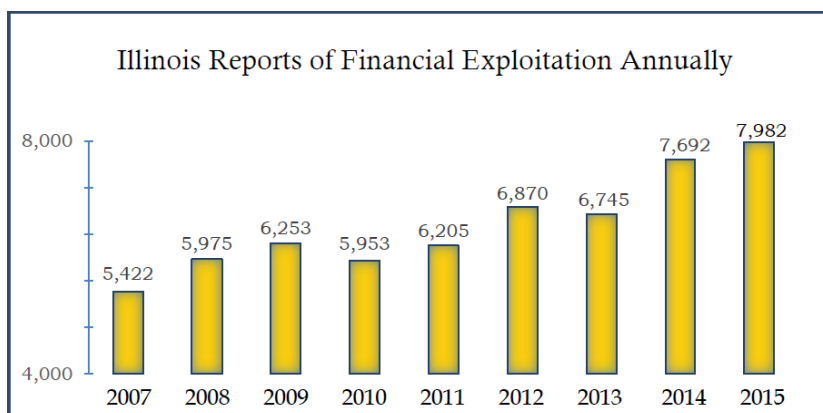
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Join Us for Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's Report on Fighting Elder Financial Exploitation Through Community Networks



One in five older Americans will fall victim to a financial scam, and financial exploitation is estimated to cost its victims more than \$2.9 billion annually.

Financial abuse is a growing concern in Illinois, with nearly

8,000 documented cases reported in 2015. There is growing consensus among community stakeholders, experts and practitioners that multidisciplinary collaboration has great potential for improving detection and response, ultimately reducing incidents of elder financial exploitation.

Please join us in person or via webcast for a November 4 presentation by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) – Office for Older Americans on their new report, *Fighting Elder Financial Exploitation through Community Networks*, and the accompanying Resource Guide for community networks that work to protect older people from financial exploitation.

The presentation will be from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Friday, November 4, at Plante Moran, 10 S. Riverside Plaza, Chicago. [Click here to register to attend in person.](#)

[Click here to register for the webcast.](#) Registration closes one hour before the program starts.

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At this first event of its kind in the Midwest, presenter Jenefer Duane of CFPB will also share emerging resources to support the development and enhancement of community networks and resources for stakeholders representing financial institutions, law enforcement, adult social service agencies and others who serve older people.



One of those collaborative networks, The Illinois Financial Abuse Specialist Team (iFAST), a program of AgeOptions, has been leading the charge to combat financial exploitation in suburban Cook County. AgeOptions invites you to

join us and members of the iFAST team to determine ways that elder financial protection networks in our region can grow and endure.

A report will be released after the event.