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## **I Don't Want to Fall For a Scam. What Should I Do?**

The best way to avoid falling for a scam is to be careful when it comes to your money and personal information. Follow the "Don't Get Scammed" hints outlined in the "[What is a "Scam"?](#)" section. Make sure your number is listed on the National Do No Call Registry. You can register your telephone number for free by calling [1-888-382-1222](tel:1-888-382-1222).

**Most importantly: do not give money or personal information to anyone in response to an email or telephone call. If a caller claims there is an emergency, insists on secrecy, or pressures you to send funds: HANG UP.**

If you would like to check out an offer that sounds too good to be true, or if you want to know if a charity is legitimate, call the Maine Department of Professional and Financial Regulation at [1-877-624-8525](tel:1-877-624-8525).

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