NopeTrap Family Plan

Pig-Butchering & Crypto Investment Scams — Don't Get Played. Print it. Fill it in. Put it on the fridge.

Warning signs

- A stranger texts you by "mistake" and keeps chatting
- They won't video call, or the call is short and glitchy
- They bring up investing, fast
- The app isn't in a normal app store, or they send you a link
- To withdraw your money, you must pay a "fee" or "tax" first
- A "recovery service" offers to get your money back — for a fee

What to do

1. **Don't reply** to wrong-number texts. Block and delete.
2. **Never invest** on a site someone you met online gave you.
3. **Look it up yourself:** SEC.gov and FINRA BrokerCheck.
4. **Already sent money? Stop.** Don't pay any "fee" to get it back.
5. **Call your bank** right away, then report to ic3.gov.
6. **Tell family.** No shame. These scams fool smart people.

OUR FAMILY RULE

No investing on advice from someone we only know online — without a second opinion from family first.

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Who we call for a second opinion

Emergency contacts

Name / phone: _____

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My bank's fraud line: _____

Card fraud line (back of card): _____

Local police (non-emergency): _____

Report it

- **FBI IC3** (online/crypto): ic3.gov
- **FTC:** ReportFraud.ftc.gov
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- **Elder Fraud Hotline** (age 60+): 1-833-FRAUD-11 (1-833-372-8311), Mon–Fri 10am–6pm ET
- **Your bank** — call right away to try to stop a wire

Why it matters: In 2025, the FBI got 61,559 crypto-investment fraud complaints, with $7.2 billion lost — the most of any scam type.

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