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ELDER JUSTICE UNIT

The Ohio Attorney General's Elder Justice Unit provides leadership and advocacy to combat elder abuse and exploitation throughout the state.

The Attorney General's staff works with law enforcement, prosecutors, adult protective services workers, and communities to:

- Field complaints and connect/guide constituents with appropriate resources.
- Raise awareness of warning signs of abuse.
- Build local capacity to protect older adults.
- Provide victim advocacy and assistance.
- Offer trainings for advocates and other professionals.
- Conduct outreach.

A 2025 U.S. Department of Justice study estimates ONE IN 10 AMERICANS AGE 60 OR OLDER suffers abuse and neglect each year. By 2030, state estimates show, more than one in four adults in Ohio are estimated to be 60 or older.

The consequences are tragic, including a **300 percent higher risk of death** among elderly abuse victims, according to a study in the Journal of the American Medical Association. With Ohio's population of older adults expected to grow significantly in coming years, the time to take notice — and action — is now.



PROTECTING ★ THE ★ UNPROTECTED

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**Elder abuse can include:
Physical, sexual and emotional abuse.**



**Self-neglect or neglect by others,
including abandonment.**



Financial exploitation.

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**The unit partners with other Ohio Attorney General
staff members in:**

Bureau of Criminal Investigation.
Special Prosecutions.
Consumer Protection.
Health Care Fraud.



A study cited by the National Council on Aging
estimates that only 1 in 24 cases is
ever reported to authorities.

**To file a complaint
with the Ohio
Attorney General's
Office scan the
QR code.**



For more information on the Elder Justice Unit, or
to get support for a victim of abuse, neglect, or
financial exploitation, call **800-282-0515** or go to
www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov/ElderAbuse.