



HAMILTON COUNTY COALITION to **STOP** FRAUD, SCAMS & ABUSE



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Commissioner Hartmann partners with Meals on Wheels to deliver information to seniors on Home Repair Scams

WHEN: TODAY, June 30
10:15am

WHERE: Bridgetown Road and Ebenezer Road (in Green Township)
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WHAT: During the summer, County residents may be approached at their homes by door-to-door salespersons, contractors or other home repair specialists offering to perform work on their homes. But before residents turn over any cash or sign any contracts, it's important to recognize the signs of a scammer and take steps to protect their homes.

Our community's seniors are especially vulnerable to home repair scams. In order to combat these crimes and educate our elderly residents, Commissioner Greg Hartmann and the Hamilton County Coalition to Stop Fraud, Scams & Abuse have designed a flier with information to spot the red flags of a scam, report a disreputable salesperson and find an acceptable contractor with a sound reputation.

Commissioner Hartmann will join Wesley Community Services' "Meals on Wheels" delivery program to deliver meals to seniors in their homes, and also share the Coalition's information flier. Approximately 800 seniors that receive Meals on Wheels assistance will be given a copy of this flier.

About the Hamilton County Coalition to Stop Fraud, Scams & Abuse

The Hamilton County Coalition to Stop Fraud, Scams & Abuse is a partnership of social service agencies, business leaders, nonprofits and local law enforcement united to pro-actively educate Hamilton County residents on the dangers of consumer fraud, identity theft and scams in our community. The Coalition developed a *Comprehensive Community Plan* to help consumers, created a website www.hamilton-co.org/fraud and conducts monthly community outreach events to educate citizens in our community to detect, prevent and report fraud and scams.

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