Home Improvement Scam

Common Victims: Home Owners
Method of Contact: In Person

This Scheme is usually run by groups of individuals who drive by your home and knock on your door. They offer some kind of home improvement or home repair you didn't ask for. They will tell you they just finished up a big job in the neighborhood and have extra materials leftover (i.e. concrete for a driveway, roofing materials, lumber for a deck). They tell you they can offer you a great deal to work on your house since they have this extra material. They ask for some money up front to pay for the labor of workers and then either do no work on your home or they do only part of the job and then come back asking for thousands of dollars more to complete the job, knowing that you cannot live with only half a roof, half a deck or half a driveway, etc.