ATTACK SPOTLIGHT

Gift Carding Scams

Attackers are sending emails that ask the recipient to purchase one or more high-value gift cards. The goal? To trick the recipient into sending the gift card numbers and PINs ... to the attacker.

These requests may promise to reimburse the recipient, or direct them to use official funds. They often leverage personal and professional relationships to sound more believable.

GIFT CARDS ARE POPULAR AND CONVENIENT—EVEN FOR CYBERCRIMINALS!



Be prepared when it comes to gift carding scams. Follow these tips:

- If you're asked to purchase gift cards, contact the requester directly to verify
- Use established contact details to validate any purchase request
- Stay alert for warning signs, like emotional appeals and promises to reimburse

Received a suspicious email? **Contact your IT security team immediately.** By alerting your team early, *you* can help limit the attack's impact.