



# Columbus Bank

## AND TRUST COMPANY

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### *Our Mission Statement*

*To be a locally owned, hometown, bank, providing a wide range of exceptional financial services that meet the needs of our customers through our dedicated, knowledgeable and courteous employees.*

### Tips to prevent Tax ID Fraud

**File early.** File your tax return as soon as you are able, giving criminals less time to use your information to file a false return.

**File on a protected Wi-Fi network.** If you are using an online service to file your return be sure you are connected to a password-protected network. Avoid using public networks like a Wi-Fi hotspot at a coffee shop.

**Use a secure mailbox.** If you are filing by mail, drop your tax return at the post office or an official postal box instead of your mailbox at home. Some criminals look for completed tax return forms in home mailboxes during tax season.

**Find a tax preparer you trust.** If you are planning to hire someone to do your taxes, get recommendations and research a tax preparer thoroughly before handing over all of your financial information.

**Shred what you don't need.** Once you have completed your tax return, shred the sensitive documents that you no longer need and safely file away the ones you do.

**Beware of phishing scams by email, text or phone.** Scammers may try to solicit sensitive information by impersonating the IRS. Know that the IRS will not contact you by email, text or social media. If the IRS needs information, they will contact you by mail first.

**Keep an eye out for missing mail.** Fraudsters look for W-2's, tax refunds or other mail containing your financial information.

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### Upcoming Events

March 1 – April 10

Youth Art Month

June 29

Lawnchairs on the Square

August 17

Columbus Days

### IRA/HSA Reminder:

You have until April 18, 2017 to contribute to your IRA or HSA for 2016. Contact one of our Customer Service Representatives with any questions.

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