

Real Estate Fraud Alert Programs by County



When fraudulent real estate documents are recorded, it can take years before property owners realize they have been scammed. To better protect County residents from real estate fraud, County Recorder/Clerk's and local law enforcement have worked together to create the Real Estate Fraud Prevention Notification Programs, which alert property owners of recent documents that have been recorded affecting their property.

Los Angeles County

The Department of Consumer and Business Affairs operates the Homeowner Notification Program. With the Homeowner Alert Service (e-Notification), you can register your email now to be alerted whenever a foreclosure, transfer of title, or mortgage is recorded on your property with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk. This notification allows property owners a means to identify potential real estate fraud activity, such as a fraudulently recorded deed. In the future additional features like submittable forms will become available.

Contact: Phone: (800) 593-8222 | Email: homehelp@dcba.lacounty.gov | Online: dcba.lacounty.gov
Register to receive notifications here: <https://assessor.lacounty.gov/news-information/enotification>

Orange County

The County Clerk-Recorder sends notification to property owners when a document is filed against their property. If you did not initiate the document filing, contact your local police department or the O. C. Sheriff at (714) 647-7040. Additional Resources:

Orange County District Attorney, Economic Crimes Unit - (714) 834-3600

Orange County Consumer Fraud Hotline - (714) 347-8706

Riverside County

The recorder's office issues Courtesy Notices when a deed, deed of trust or similar document is recorded. This notice alerts homeowners to recent recording transactions regarding their property. If the property owner is fully aware of the transaction nothing further needs to be done. However, if the homeowner is unaware of any recent recordings they are encouraged to contact the County of Riverside District Attorney's Real Estate Fraud Unit at: 877.723.7779

San Bernardino County

To better protect County residents from real estate fraud, the Assessor-Recorder-Clerk, the District Attorney, and the Information Services Department joined forces to create the Real Estate Fraud Prevention Courtesy Notification Program, which alerts property owners of recent documents that have been recorded affecting their property. More information at: <https://sbcountyarc.org/> or Contact: 909.382.7700



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