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**IDENTITY THEFT THRIVES**

Identity theft happens when someone uses your personal or financial information without your permission. It can damage your credit status and cost you time and money.

It has been estimated that almost one-third of US residents have experienced some form of identity theft which may involve credit card theft, tax fraud or insurance fraud.

For a second time, my credit card has recently been used by thieves to make purchases unknown to me. I received an Email and phone call from Visa asking about 2 purchases at Dunkin’ Donuts. The next day I was contacted about a charge at Red Lobster restaurant for \$129.12 and was asked about 3 charges for Google Scopoley, an internet mobile game. No I knew nothing about these charges. The total amount of fraudulent purchases was \$320.25.

My credit card was canceled and a new one issued with Visa making an investigation of the matter. Because I have auto pay for the card, these charges were included in the current monthly statement. Eventually I did get full credit for the illegal purchases.

We tried to think back about where we had used the card as being the source of the theft of my identity. Perhaps it was a gas station where the card is slid into the payment device or at the car wash where an attendant took the card to record the purchases, but we really do not know where a thief secured this credit card number. We did not lose the card and it was always used at the supermarket and drug store using the contact less technology.

**SAFETY MEASURES TO PREVENT CREDIT CARD THEFT:**

- When using a credit card, only use a contact less card with chip technology whether you tap or insert the card for payment.
- Most merchants have the credit card device with a contact less symbol on the terminal.
- Using a mobile device, tap your device near the contact less symbol.
- If possible use a digital wallet to protect from credit card theft.
- In restaurants if you pay server with credit card, request that the payment terminal be brought to the table. Other wise pay cashier on a contact less device.
- Making on line purchases make sure that a separate screen is provided for credit card information and order taker is off line. Consumers must be vigil in using a credit card.

Sidney Elkin

# GRANDVIEW CARDBOARD RECYCLING

## PROTOCOL

Due to the expansion of resident online shopping and coupled with large cardboard moving containers, Management has reported a cardboard recycling problem at The Grandview. On one shift, the receptionist received 40 boxes from Amazon alone; coupled with the deliveries from other companies, cardboard boxes have caused some serious issues for recycling.

Desiree Gomez, Property Manager, has found the following deficiencies: some residents are not collapsing cardboard containers. They are placing boxes in trash chute hallways or are depositing un-flattened boxes near the P1 and P2 recycling bins at each elevator bank. Because so many boxes are not collapsed, Waste Management is refusing to take these items for recycling or are billing the Condo Association additional fees.

## IMPORTANT GUIDELINES FOR CARBOARD RECYCLING:

1. Remove plastic, polystyrene or packing materials.
2. Cut and flatten cardboard to a size to fit into bin space.
3. Large or bulky cartons, un-flattened, may not be placed in the bin.
4. Do not place boxes in the garbage chute or on the floor in that area.
5. For boxes too large to handle, call the front desk; ask for removal assistance.
6. No greasy, wet or contaminated cardboard should be placed in the bin.
7. A box cutter would be a useful tool to help collapse cardboard boxes.
8. Pizza and food container boxes should be placed in the trash.

The City of Miami Beach mandates recycling. Management and the Condo service staff appreciate the cooperation of residents in making cardboard recycling more efficient at The Grandview.

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## Sheet Pan Chicken with Mozzarella, Pesto, and Broccoli

- 2 pounds boneless chicken breasts
- 2 teaspoons garlic salt
- ground black pepper to taste
- 6 tablespoons pesto
- 2 medium Roma (plum) tomatoes, thinly sliced
- 1 ½ cups shredded mozzarella 1 head broccoli, cut into florets
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- salt to taste

Preheat the oven to 425 degrees F. Lightly grease a large sheet pan. Season chicken with garlic salt and pepper; place onto the prepared sheet pan. Spread pesto over chicken, then top with tomatoes and mozzarella. Toss broccoli and oil together in a bowl; season with salt and pepper. Scatter around chicken on the baking sheet. Bake in the preheated oven until broccoli is tender and chicken is no longer pink in the center and the juices run clear, 15 to 20 minutes. An instant-read thermometer inserted into the center should read at least 165 degrees F.





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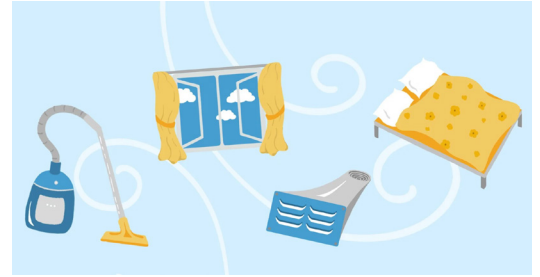
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Have you noticed that the air in your home is not as clean and fresh as it should be? These tips will help you breathe easier!

- ❑ When cooking or cleaning, keep your windows open as much as possible.
- ❑ When cooking on the top of the stove, cover pots and pans, especially when frying. Use the ventilating fan under the hood of the stove when cooking.
- ❑ Use the bathroom exhaust fan or open a bathroom window when steam is present.
- ❑ Make sure your vacuum cleaner is working properly and does not blow dust back into the room. Change vacuum cleaner bags frequently.
- ❑ Use doormats at each entrance to your home to collect dirt and dust before it enters your home.
- ❑ Dust your home regularly and clean large flat surfaces several times a year.
- ❑ Vacuum and sweep regularly.
- ❑ Clean and change the filters on any humidifiers or air-filtration systems regularly.
- ❑ Wash all bedding in hot water weekly.
- ❑ Use non-toxic cleaning products and don't mix different types of cleaning solutions together.
- ❑ Place some houseplants in your home. They remove toxins from the air.
- ❑ Don't smoke inside your home.



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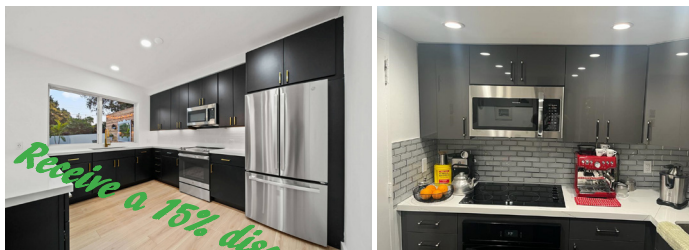
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