It's Military Consumer Month, and online shopping scams are rising

BY BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU

Online purchase scams are the riskiest scam type targeting military consumers, according to the 2022 BBB Scam TrackerSM Risk Report. July is military consumer month, so BBB is sharing some tips on recognizing and avoiding online shopping scams.
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With PCS season in full swing, many military families face a tough decision: buy or rent? MFAN alumni Kellie Artis (COO of Millie) and Erin Ward (CEO of HRVA Homes) provide tools, tips, and resources to help you make the best housing decision for your family.
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Whether you're a service member entering basic training, or you just hung up the uniform, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau can help you handle financial challenges at every step of your military career.
6 steps to establishing a spending and savings plan for veterans and transitioning military personnel

BY VETERAN SAVES
The finances of transitioning military personnel, veterans, and their families are unique because not only must you account for regular everyday life expenses, but also plan for ever-changing circumstances like job transitions, relocation, and fluctuating income. That's why it's essential to create a Spending and Savings Plan, aka "budget," that helps you see a clear view of your finances at any given time.

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Between booking flights, hotels, a rental car, and things to do, planning a vacation can get stressful. It's one reason many travelers turn to vacation packages, which bundle multiple aspects of your trip. Vacation packages are simpler to purchase and can save you money too.

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