## NEW AMERICA MEDIA & THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION INVITE YOU TO AN ETHNIC MEDIA NEWS BRIEFING

# Spotting and Avoiding Scams in Our Communities

#### WHEN:

Tuesday, April 21, 11am to 1pm (Light luncheon/refreshments will be served)

### WHERE:

Seattle University School of Law Sullivan Hall, Room C6 901 12th Avenue, Sullivan Hall, Seattle, WA 98122-1090 (Sullivan Hall is located at the corner of 12th Avenue and Columbia Street)

### WHO:

- Charles A. Harwood, Regional Director, Northwest Region, Federal Trade Commission
- Jennifer Leach, Acting Assistant Director, Federal Trade Commission Division of Consumer and Business Education
- Shannon Smith, Consumer Protection Division Chief, Washington State Attorney General's Office
- Lili Sotelo, Senior Attorney, Foreclosure Prevention Unit, Northwest Justice Project
- Laura Contreras, Attorney, Northwest Immigrant Rights Project
- Storytellers



#### **Directions & Parking Information**

For driving directions to Seattle University and public transportation, visit: http://www.seattleu.edu/visit/directions/

Parking Information: Public parking is available in the Seattle University visitor parking lot at 12th Avenue and E. Marion St., or along 12th Avenue and adjacent streets.

Seattle University Campus Map: http://www.seattleu.edu/map/

## WHY:

Every year scammers defraud our communities of hundreds of millions of dollars by selling fake services and worthless products for everything from immigration, housing and health to debt collection, jobs and education. People are often too scared to report fraud when they have been victimized by it. Our briefing will bring together law enforcement officials, community advocates and consumers to talk about the types of fraud that are on the rise and what people can do to protect themselves and their neighbors.

This briefing is sponsored by the Federal Trade Commission, which protects consumers from fraud through law enforcement and education.

### **RSVP**:

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