

**Be aware. Do not engage. Report threats immediately.**

# EXTORTION SAFETY TIPS

Extortion is a serious crime affecting communities across British Columbia and across Canada. Police and governments are working together to protect people, businesses, neighbourhoods and to support victims.



Delta Police  
Department



Abbotsford  
Police  
Department



Surrey Police  
Service



RCMP



CFSEU-BC



Metro  
Vancouver  
Transit Police



CBSA

**If you are in immediate  
danger, call 9-1-1.**

**Report extortion threats  
to your local police.**

**Do not respond or  
comply with threats.**

**Save any and all  
evidence.**



Victims are contacted through letters, online messages, texts, calls or in-person confrontations.



Threats include violence, arson, and shootings to force payment.



Paying once doesn't stop demands, they often escalate and become recurring.



Extortion can fund organized crime, often linked to gangs.

**VictimLink BC is a free, confidential service for people across B.C. affected by crime and trauma, available 24/7 in 240 languages. Call or text: 1-800-563-0808.**



To report an extortion or provide details that may support an investigation, contact your local police or jurisdiction or B.C. Crime Stoppers if you wish to remain anonymous 1-800-222-TIPS [8477].

**You are not alone. Help is available.**

**stopextortion.ca**