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Cybersecurity Awareness Month

October is Cybersecurity Awareness Month, an international initiative that educates everyone about online safety and empowers individuals and businesses to protect their data from cybercrime. Even amidst large-scale data breaches and cyberattacks, Cybersecurity Awareness Month reminds everyone that there are simple, effective ways to keep yourself safer online, protect your personal data, and ultimately help secure our world.

The theme of this year's Cybersecurity Awareness Month is **Building a Cyber Strong America**—highlighting the need to strengthen the country's infrastructure against cyber threats and ensuring resilience and security. It focuses on our nation's critical infrastructure: government entities and small and medium businesses that are vital to protecting the systems and services that sustain us. Much of the nation's critical infrastructure is owned and operated by state, local, tribal, and territorial governments as well as private companies. Additionally, vendors, suppliers, and other parts of the supply chain that support or are connected to critical infrastructure play a critical cybersecurity role.

Cybersecurity Awareness Month focuses on the top four ways to stay safer online:

- ▲ **Use strong passwords and a password manager.** Strong passwords are long, random, and unique to each account, and a password manager helps generate and save them.

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Upcoming Holiday

Due to Veterans Day, Treasury, the Federal Reserve, and financial institutions will be closed on Tuesday, November 11. Customer statements and files will not be produced for November 11 due to the closures. In addition, ACH files sent to KeyBank after the last ACH processing window on Monday, November 10, will not be processed by the bank until Wednesday, November 12, and must have an effective date of November 13 or later.

Interest Rates

Average Annualized Yield	
September	4.60%
Interest Rates	
September 1–30	4.60%

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- ▲ **Turn on multi-factor authentication (MFA).** We need more than a password on our most important accounts like those for e-mail, social media, and financials.
- ▲ **Recognize and report scams.** Be cautious of unsolicited messages asking for personal information. Avoid sharing sensitive information or credentials with unknown sources. Report phishing attempts and delete the messages.
- ▲ **Update your software.** Ensure your software is up to date, and ensure you have the latest security patches and updates on your devices. Enable automatic updates on software or regularly check for updates if automatic updates are not available.

For more information about ways to keep you and your family safer online, visit www.cisa.gov/cybersecurity-awareness-month and www.staysafeonline.org/cybersecurity-awareness-month.

Service Spotlight

Safekeeping is a free service that allows agencies to store items of value in Treasury's vaults. Items placed in safekeeping are usually being held to insure performance, cover a liability, or provide some other means of financial protection. Items placed in safekeeping are inventoried, and agencies receive a receipt for each item. Agencies must submit a written request to retrieve items from safekeeping, and items must be picked up in person. If you are interested in safekeeping or have general cash management services questions, contact Customer Solutions at customer.solutions@ost.state.or.us.

Unauthorized Paper Debit Form Update

Treasury has an updated C.30 Affidavit of Unauthorized Paper Debit form on its [Cash Management Forms webpage](#) that agencies can use to notify Treasury of counterfeit, forged, or otherwise unauthorized check debits. The form is a modified version of U.S. Bank's Affidavit of Unauthorized Paper Debit form, and it replaces Treasury's prior C.30 Affidavit of Unauthorized Paper Debit form along with the following:

- ▲ C.16 Affidavit of Altered Item
- ▲ C.17 Fraud Collection-Claimant Info
- ▲ C.18 Affidavit of Forgery
- ▲ C.19 Affidavit Claimant's Forged Endorsement
- ▲ C.20a Handwriting Exemplar
- ▲ C.20b Handwriting Exemplar

If you have questions about Treasury's cash management forms, contact Banking Operations at ost.banking@ost.state.or.us.



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