

# Numismatic Crime Information Center



## NUMISMATICS



## AND

## LAW ENFORCEMENT

***“BRIDGING the GAP”***



# Numismatic Crime Information Center

## NUMISMATICS

The study or collection of coins, paper money, tokens, medals, or related items



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## NUMISMATIC INDUSTRY

- Billions of dollars in rare coins, paper money and related numismatic items are sold yearly.
- Coin shops, Rare Coin Firms, Gold & Silver Exchanges, Investment Firms
- Auction Houses, E-Bay, Mail-order Businesses.
- Hundreds of coin shows each year in cities across the country generates hundreds of millions of dollars.

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## NUMISMATIC COMMUNITY

- Largest collector hobby in the world
- Hundreds of thousands of collectors and investors
- Hundreds of local coin clubs
- State and National Associations
- Specialized Numismatic Associations



[www.money.org](http://www.money.org)



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## TYPES OF COINS



Barber Half



3 Cent Silver



Walking Liberty Half



Silver Dollar



Half Dime



Buffalo Nickel



Gold Half Eagle



Shield Nickel



Morgan Dollar



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## TYPES OF PAPER MONEY



Federal Reserve Note



National Bank Note



Confederate Note



Silver Certificate



Obsolete Note

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## NUMISMATIC GRADING

- Grading is used to determine the condition of a coin, paper money or related numismatic item.
- Numismatic items are graded on a scale from poor, vg, fine, very fine, extra fine, and almost uncirculated.
- Uncirculated conditions range from Mint State 60-70.
- The condition of a numismatic item determines the value along with the number issued.

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## THIRD PARTY GRADING



## GRADING COMPANIES

PCGS

NGC

ANACS

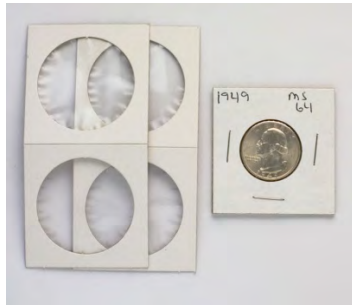
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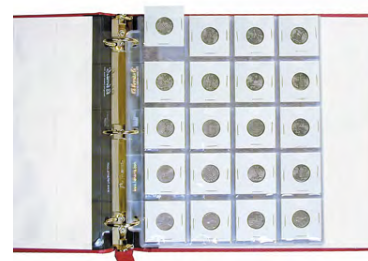
## HOUSING AND STORING NUMISMATIC ITEMS



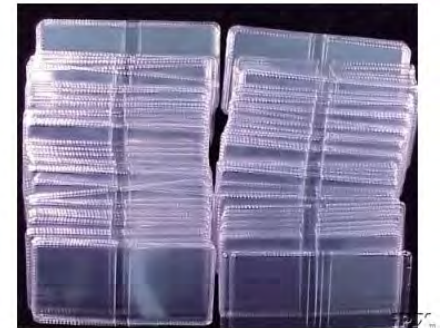
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Whitman Folder



Plastic Pages



2x2 Flips



Capitol Plastic



Dansco Album



Plastic Sleeves



Storage Box

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## **PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH NUMISMATIC CRIMES**

- Numismatics is a specialized area of investigation
- Lack of knowledge within law enforcement in the area of numismatic crime investigations
- Frustration between the victim and law enforcement during the investigative process
- Lack of specialized training in the area of numismatic crime investigations

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## WHERE DO OFFENSES OCCUR

- Coin Shops
- Gold & Silver Exchanges
- To and From Numismatic Events
- Mail-order
- Phone Solicitation
- Homes
- On-Line Auctions
- Coin Shows



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## Who Commits Numismatic Crimes

- Well organized groups
- Columbian Gangs
- Russian Mafia
- Individuals using the internet to commit fraud
- Individuals conducting investment fraud
- Individuals preying on dealers and collectors



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## FIRST RESPONDER PROBLEMS

- Patrol Officer first on scene to take report
- Probably never taken a numismatic offense report
- Lack of knowledge about the numismatic industry
- Insurance scam ( Yes or No )
- Increased apprehension between officer and victim



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## Disposing of Coins and Currency

- Coin Shops
- Gold & Silver Exchanges
- Flea Markets
- Antique Malls
- On-line Auctions
- E-Bay
- Coin Shows
- Pawn Shops



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## LOCAL RESOURCES

- Coin Clubs
- Coin Dealers
- Collectors



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**FREE INVESTIGATIVE RESOURCES FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT**

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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of the Numismatic Crime Information Center is to serve as a national and international resource for collectors, dealers and law enforcement in the education, prevention and investigation of crimes involving coins, paper money, tokens and related numismatic items.

# Numismatic Crime Information Center

*The Numismatic Crime Information Center* provides data, tools, specialized expertise, training, education and investigative support to law enforcement and the numismatic community in all areas related to numismatic crimes.



# Numismatic Crime Information Center

## Resources for Law Enforcement

- Maintains a centralized database of numismatic crimes
- Experienced numismatic investigators on staff
- Technical case assistance and evaluation
- Analyzes data and identifies similarities and patterns in cases across the country
- Database searches to correlate lead and suspect information

# Numismatic Crime Information Center

- Serves as a catalyst for rapid dissemination of information to law enforcement and the numismatic community
- Assists law enforcement in the proper identification and inventory of numismatic items
- Maintains a network of numismatic experts to assist law enforcement
- Provides specialized training in numismatic investigations to law enforcement

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[www.numismaticcrimes.org](http://www.numismaticcrimes.org)



# AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION



The American Numismatic Association is a congressionally chartered nonprofit educational organization dedicated to encouraging people to study and collect money and related items.

# National Bank Note Census

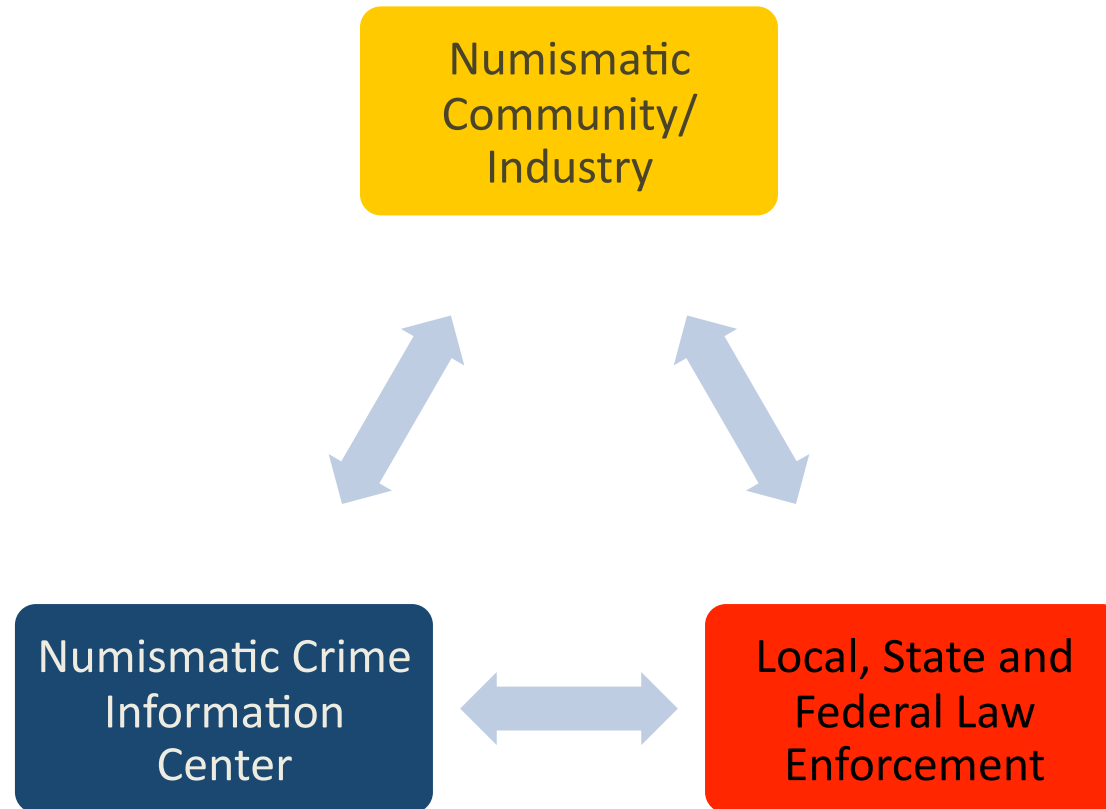
[www.nbncensus.com](http://www.nbncensus.com)



- The National Bank Note Census is the most comprehensive resource for collectors, dealers and researchers of National Bank Notes.
- The National Bank Note Census maintains a database of reported stolen notes which provides law enforcement with a valuable tool during the investigation of a numismatic crime where the loss includes National Bank Notes.



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**Working Together to  
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***SPECIAL THANKS.....***

**AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION**

**TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION**

**PROFESSIONAL COIN DEALERS ASSOCIATION**

