

**SEPTEMBER 18, 2014** 

## **SECURITY ALERT**

## HOME DEPOT BREACH

On September 8, 2014, The Home Depot confirmed their payment data systems had been breached.

According to the official statement made by company representatives, this breach potentially impacted payment cards used at their U.S. stores – including those in Tallahassee -- starting in April, 2014. (Purchases made online through The Home Depot's website were not affected.)

Prime Meridian Bank is committed to protecting our clients' account information, and we are closely monitoring this developing situation by increasing our card transaction monitoring efforts and continuing to communicate with clients throughout this process.

## **Actions We Are Taking**

Out of an abundance of caution, if your name is on the list of compromised debit cards, we are electing to replace it immediately.

- There is no fee for the replacement card.
- You will be contacted by a Prime Meridian Bank representative within the next week.
- You will be asked your preference: 1) have the replacement card mailed to you, or 2) have us hold it at our offices for pickup.
- If you are not on the list, please continue to monitor the situation for any further developments.

It is recommended that clients closely monitor their bank statements for unauthorized charges and report fraudulent activity immediately to a bank representative at 850-907-2300.

Please check back frequently for updated news and information as the depth and breadth of this payment data breach at The Home Depot becomes better known.

Please note: compromised credit cards have already been reissued.