MALWARE/ **RANSOMWARE: BE AWARE!**

Malware is a malicious computer program that hackers use to access, change, destroy, or hold sensitive data hostage.



511.5B Total cost of damages inflicted by ransomware (a form of malware) in 2019.

WHAT IS RANSOMWARE?



A form of malware that locks users out or their computers. Attackers may even lock out entire companies' IT infrastructure demanding a ransom for restoration of normal operations.

ARE YOU INFECTED?



Applications are running slower than usual.



Unusual programs are running automatically.



Many pop-up ads and program windows are appearing suddenly.



The display of **Unknown Error** messages.



The hard drive is always audibly in action and the disk space is almost full.



The appearance of new unknown programs that the user did not install.

DO NOT BECOME A VICTIM



Install the latest anti-virus and software updates.



Check review before downloading free apps.



Do not download pirated software.



Back up your data frequently.



Do not click on attachments or links present in a suspicious email.



Examine pop-ups that appear when installing any unknown software.

