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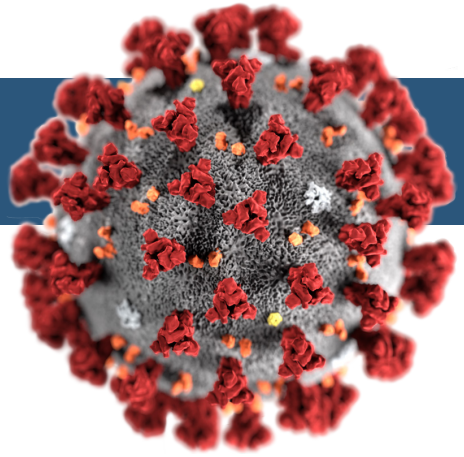

Frequently Asked Questions on direct financial assistance

Q: How much money will I get?
This comes in the form of a one-time tax rebate check of $1,200 per individual and $500 per child. The full rebate amount is available for those with incomes at or below $75,000 for individuals,$112,500 for head of household, and $150,000 for married couples.

If you made more than $75,000, your payment will be reduced by $5 for every $100 of income that exceeds the limits. The payment decreases to zero for an individual making $99,000 or more or a couple making $198,000 or more.

If you're a family of four, you'll be eligible for a maximum of $3,400.

Q: When is the money coming?
The Treasury Secretary has said the checks will be available in two to three weeks.

Q: How will it be sent?
If you've gotten a tax refund in the last two years by direct deposit, the money will be deposited in your bank account direction. If not, you will receive your check in the mail.

Q: How does the government calculate how much I earned?
If you filed your 2019 taxes, the Treasury will base the size of your check on your 2019 return. If you have not yet filed - remember the deadline has been moved to July - it will be based on your 2018 return.

Q: I'm on Social Security and don't make enough to file a tax return. Will I get a check?
Yes. Even if you didn't file a tax return for 2018 or 2019 or pay taxes in those years, you will be eligible if you received a Form SSA-1099 for the year 2019. That's a form that the Social Security Administration sends each year to people who receive Social Security benefits, including retirement and disability.

Q: I'm a disabled vet but don't pay taxes. Do I qualify?
Yes

Q: I'm not an American citizen. Do I qualify?
Yes — as long as you have a Social Security number. That generally includes green card holders and those on work visas, such as an H-1B and H-2A.

Q: Are the cash payments taxable?
No.