Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

Economic Impact Payment Guide for Californians

 **What are Economic Impact Payments?**

**Economic Impact Payments (EIPs) are payments issued by the federal government to help reduce financial burdens caused by the COVID-19 pandemic**

* The EIP does not count as earned income and will not affect eligibility for programs like CalFresh and CalWORKS.
* The EIP does not have to be repaid.
* The EIP is not taxable income.

**Economic Impact Payments**

$1,200 ….. Per Eligible Adult

$2,400…... Per Married Couple

$500…...... Per Eligible Minor

#  Who is eligible?

U.S. citizens, permanent residents and [qualifying resident aliens](https://www.irs.gov/individuals/international-taxpayers/determining-alien-tax-status) who:

* Have a valid Social Security number,
* Cannot be claimed as a dependent of another taxpayer, and
* Had adjusted gross income under $99,000 for a single taxpayer and under

$198,000 for married couple.

#  How is payment received?

Residents of California may:

* File their 2018 or 2019 federal income tax return to receive the payment, or
* Use the IRS Non-Filer Info Tool if income is less than $12,200 ($24,400 for a married couple)

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#  Where can taxes be filed?

* If you didn’t file your 2018 or 2019 federal income tax return AND your gross income was under $12,200 ($24,400 for married couples), you can now use the IRS Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info Here tool. Visit [Payment Information Tool](https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/non-filers-enter-payment-info-here)
* Tax filing can be done using many sources like the IRS Free File. Visit [Free Filing Online](https://www.irs.gov/filing/free-file-do-your-federal-taxes-for-free) **IT’S FREE**!
* Free, local tax return preparation referrals are available by calling 2-1-1.

#  When do taxes need to be filed?

* Income tax deadlines have been extended to July 15, 2020. For the latest info, check with the IRS at [irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov/) and California Franchise Tax Board (FTB) at [ftb.ca.gov](http://www.ftb.ca.gov/).
* The deadline for submitting a request for EIP via the Non-Filer Tool is October 15, 2020. Anyone who is eligible to use the Non-Filer tool but who misses the October 15 deadline may file their 2020 federal return to receive the EIP as a tax credit.
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#  How to get help:

* + Dial 2-1-1, where you will be walked through a series of questions and referred to additional resources for filing your income taxes.
	+ For more information about Economic Impact Payments, visit the [CDSS Economic Impact Payment Information and Resources Hub](https://cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/cdss-programs/economic-impact-payment).
	+ If you have already filed you 2018 or 2019 income taxes or submitted for your EIP using the Non-Filer Tool, check the status of your payment by visiting the IRS Get My Payment webpage at [IRS Get My Payment](https://sa.www4.irs.gov/irfof/lang/en/irfofgetstatus.jsp)
	+ For frequently asked questions about your tax refund, visit the Get My Payment Frequently Asked Questions webpage at [IRS Payment Frequently Asked Questions questions](https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/get-my-payment-frequently-asked-questions).