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Agenda

• FAQ on Stimulus
  • Eligible SSI and SSDI
  • Payments
  • Impact
  • Topic Resources, including:
    • ABLE Accounts
    • Work Incentives Planning and Assistance

• Q&A

Disclaimer

Information is accurate as of April 17, 2020

SSA and IRS Covid-19 websites are provided on Resource list.

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Who Will Receive a Stimulus Payment?

- Most adults (must have low-moderate income): Payment amount: $1,200
- Dependent children under age 17: (provided parents have low-moderate income): $500 for each child
- SSDI beneficiaries included
- SSI beneficiaries included (Separate Payment for each member of an SSI Couple).

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Who Will NOT Receive a Stimulus Payment?

• Your income is too high.
• You can be claimed as a dependent on someone else’s tax return
• You do not have a valid social security number
• You are a non-resident alien
• You filed for 2019 form 1040-NR or 1040NR-EZ or 1040-PR or 1040-SS

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HOW WILL THE STIMULUS PAYMENT AFFECT SSI/SSDI?

Payment will not be counted as income; therefore:

- Will have no impact on SSI or SSDI cash benefit amount
- Will have no impact on Medicare or Medicaid
- Payment will not be counted as a resource for 12 months (Will be counted as a resource if unspent after 12 months)

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WILL MY STIMULUS PAYMENT COME FROM SOCIAL SECURITY LIKE MY SSI/SSDI PAYMENT?

No! The Stimulus Payment will come from the US Treasury

Will receive payment same way as SSI/SSDI check or can request direct deposit through New IRS Web Tool

- Direct-Deposited
- Postal Mail
- Direct Express Debit Card

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WHAT DO I NEED TO DO TO GET MY PAYMENT IF I RECEIVE SSDI?

PAYMENT IS AUTOMATIC FOR MOST ADULTS IF SSA-1099 RECEIVED FOR 2019 UNLESS

- You did not file tax return in 2018 or 2019 AND you have qualifying children under age 17

OR

- You are a new SSDI beneficiary (since January 1, 2020) and did not file a tax return in 2018 or 2019

RECOMMENDED: REGISTER THROUGH NEW U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY WEB TOOL
WHAT DO I NEED TO DO TO GET MY STIMULUS PAYMENT IF I RECEIVE SSI?

Most SSI Recipients will now receive automatic payments.

It is recommended that you use the new treasury department web tool if you:

• Have qualifying children under age 17 AND did not file a tax return in 2018 or 2019

OR

• Are a new SSI recipient (since January 1, 2020) and did not file a tax return in 2018 or 2019

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HOW DO I FIND AND USE THE NEW TREASURY DEPARTMENT WEB TOOL?

Go to:

• Click on button that says: Non-Filers: Enter Your Payment Info Here

• Information available in English and Spanish

Follow directions provided on page

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WHAT INFORMATION WILL I NEED to REGISTER?

- FULL NAME, CURRENT MAILING ADDRESS AND EMAIL ADDRESS.
- DATE OF BIRTH AND VALID SOCIAL SECURITY #
- BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER AND ROUTING NUMBER IF YOU HAVE ONE.
- IDENTITY PROTECTION PERSONAL ID # (IP PIN) YOU RECEIVED FROM IRS EARLIER THIS YEAR (IF YOU HAVE ONE).
- DRIVER’S LICENSE OR STATE ISSUED ID IF YOU HAVE ONE.
- FOR EACH QUALIFYING CHILD: NAME, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OR ADOPTION PAYER ID AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP TO YOU AND SPOUSE.
WHEN CAN I EXPECT TO RECEIVE MY STIMULUS PAYMENT?

Payments will begin in April

Using web tools may speed up payment delivery for families with eligible children

IRS has developed another new tool: *Get My Payment*


Tool provides status of payment & can set up direct deposit if preferred
IS STIMULUS PAYMENT TAXABLE OR REPORTABLE?

No! The Economic Impact payment is NOT taxable!

No! The payment is NOT reportable to SSA or other benefit programs.
**WILL RECEIPT OF STIMULUS PAYMENT AFFECT OTHER BENEFITS I RECEIVE?**

No! Stimulus payment will have no impact on:

- SNAP benefits
- HUD rental subsidies
- Medicare
- Medicaid
- Assistance with Medicare Part B premium, co-pays, deductibles
- Extra Help with Medicare Part D
WHAT IF I WANT TO SAVE SOME OR ALL OF MY STIMULUS PAYMENT?

SSI or Medicaid:
• Saving stimulus payment could create problems after 12 months if it causes savings to exceed SSI or Medicaid resource limits!
• (Limit only $2,000 if you have SSI!)

SSDI and Medicare
• May save as long as you don’t have Medicaid

REMEMBER:
• Stimulus will be counted as a resource after 12 months
• Exceeding resource limits can cause SSI/Medicaid to end
• For some people with disabilities ABLE Accounts can help!

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HOW CAN I SAVE WITHOUT FEAR OF LOSING SSI OR MEDICAID?

Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) account may be a solution!

- **Must have been disabled before age 26**
- Can save up to $15,000 per year (more if you are working)
- Can have up to $100,000 before SSI cash payments are affected
- Funds must be used for disability related expenses – education or job training, health-related expenses, home maintenance and repairs, etc.

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HOW DO I LEARN MORE ABOUT AND/OR OPEN AN ABLE ACCOUNT?

Visit ri.savewithable.com to learn more about the program, request an information kit or enroll online in six easy steps.

Call (888) 609-8915 to speak with a program representative Monday through Friday, 8:00am – 5:00pm ET.
Question & Answer
Highlights

• SSI and SSDI Recipients will receive Stimulus payment
• Different rules for Each Benefit
• Direct deposit will receive payments sooner
• Stimulus payment is not taxable and will not affect benefits for 12 months
• Open an ABLE Account to save above SSI/Medicaid resource limits
• Stay informed

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Resources

• RI ABLE: ri.savewithable.com
• Disability Rights RI: www.drri.org
• Sherlock Center on Disabilities: www.sherlockcenter.org

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Thank You for Joining!

Resources available [www.sherlockcenter.org](http://www.sherlockcenter.org)

- Work Incentive Information and Benefits Counseling
- Join the Sherlock Center's mailing list:
  Employment and/or Work Incentive
- Explore Work Incentive Planning and Assistance
  Ticket to Work Helpline:
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