

# Taxpayer Resources: 2021



The IRS has many taxpayer resources on its website. Below are some of them, which may help low- and moderate-income taxpayers. This is all publicly available information, and does not constitute legal or tax-preparation advice:

## Economic Impact Payments (EIPs or “Stimulus Funds”) Info:

- EIPs are actually advance payments on an IRS tax credit, which is called the “Recovery Rebate Credit.” Learn more here: [www.irs.gov/newsroom/recovery-rebate-credit](http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/recovery-rebate-credit).
- Haven’t gotten an EIP? [www.irs.gov/coronavirus/get-my-payment](http://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/get-my-payment). Remember that if you did not get an EIP, you may be eligible to claim a Recovery Rebate Credit when filing taxes.

## Tax Preparation and Filing:

- The Interactive Tax Assistant (ITA) helps you 1) figure out whether you need to file, and 2) get answers to questions that come up a lot when doing taxes: [www.irs.gov/help/ita](http://www.irs.gov/help/ita)
- You can file your taxes for free, with help from tax-prep software, using IRS Free File: [www.irs.gov/filing/free-file-do-your-federal-taxes-for-free](http://www.irs.gov/filing/free-file-do-your-federal-taxes-for-free)
- Some taxpayers, especially 1) low- and moderate-income people, 2) those with disabilities, 3) those who have Limited English Proficiency, and 4) people 60 or older may qualify for free tax prep help: [www.irs.gov/individuals/free-tax-return-preparation-for-qualifying-taxpayers](http://www.irs.gov/individuals/free-tax-return-preparation-for-qualifying-taxpayers)
- Finding and Choosing a Tax Preparer:
  - What to think about when searching for help: [www.irs.gov/tax-professionals/choosing-a-tax-professional](http://www.irs.gov/tax-professionals/choosing-a-tax-professional)
  - Tips when searching for a tax preparer: [www.irs.gov/newsroom/taxpayers-should-remember-these-tips-when-searching-for-a-tax-preparer](http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/taxpayers-should-remember-these-tips-when-searching-for-a-tax-preparer)
  - Tips to consider before choosing a tax preparer: [www.irs.gov/newsroom/taxpayers-should-check-out-these-tips-before-choosing-a-tax-preparer](http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/taxpayers-should-check-out-these-tips-before-choosing-a-tax-preparer)
- Avoid tax prep scams! [www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-unveils-dirty-dozen-list-of-tax-scams-for-2020-americans-urged-to-be-vigilant-to-these-threats-during-the-pandemic-and-its-aftermath](http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-unveils-dirty-dozen-list-of-tax-scams-for-2020-americans-urged-to-be-vigilant-to-these-threats-during-the-pandemic-and-its-aftermath)

### Can’t pay your taxes by the due date?

The IRS explains tax payment options here: [www.irs.gov/taxtopics/tc202](http://www.irs.gov/taxtopics/tc202)

## Planning for future tax periods:

- When should you complete a new Form W-4?: [www.irs.gov/newsroom/faqs-on-the-2020-form-w-4](http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/faqs-on-the-2020-form-w-4)
- Are you withholding enough taxes from your paychecks? Or too much? Find out: [www.irs.gov/individuals/tax-withholding-estimator](http://www.irs.gov/individuals/tax-withholding-estimator)
- Do you need your old tax filing records or info? [www.irs.gov/individuals/get-transcript](http://www.irs.gov/individuals/get-transcript)