

CARES Act / American Rescue Plan (stimulus checks; rent moratorium, mortgage forbearance, small business assistance, etc)

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 includes many parts of the original CARES Act of 2020 and the Families First Coronavirus Response Act. This information is updated as new policies and actions are approved, or as deadlines change.

SD CARES Housing Assistance Program

- Click here for more information about [SD CARES Housing Assistance Program](#) (Rent or Utility Assistance)
 - This program has been extended until 2022.

Child Tax Credit

- The Child Tax Credit will provide between \$3,000 and \$3,600 per child age 17 or younger, to nearly all working families.
- For the first time, families *will receive half of the Child Tax Credit in monthly payments through December 2021 and then receive a final amount at tax time in 2022.*
- Families that filed taxes in 2019 and 2020 will, in most cases, automatically receive monthly payments of \$250 or \$300 per child (depending on the child's age) from the IRS on the 15th of every month between July and December 2021.
- Low-wage families that did not file a tax return in 2019 or 2020 must apply for these same Child Tax Credit funds through the [Non-filer Sign-up Tool](#) so they can begin receiving payments.
- More information from the IRS is available [here](#). Or, more information from the White House is available [here](#).
- This information was obtained from Child Cares Services Association Newsletter.

Rent Moratorium Info – Extended

- Click here for more info: [Eviction Moratorium During COVID](#)

Mortgage Forbearance Info – Apply Now For FHA Relief

- Click here for more info: [Mortgage Help for those Impacted by COVID](#)

Small Businesses / Unemployment Benefits Info

- Federal Information:
 - [US Small Business Administration – COVID-19 Relief Options](#)
- State Information:
 - [SD Small Business and Healthcare Provider Relief Fund \(for COVID\)](#) *This is closed.
 - [SD Department of Labor – COVID-19 Relief](#)

Stimulus Check Info / Economic Impact Payments

- Checking Status
 - [Check your status or add your direct deposit information](#)
 - If you are not able to check your status online:
 - call the IRS Economic Impact Payment number: (800) 919-9835. The call volume is heavy, so you may be on hold for a long time.
 - call United Way's Economic Impact Payment Helpline at 1 (844) 322-3639.
- For the last round of stimulus payments:
 - You can still receive your Economic Impact Payment (stimulus) even though the tax deadline has passed. Go to <https://www.getyourrefund.org/211-stimulus> where you can file your taxes yourself (with the DIY tool); review and file with the help of an IRS certified volunteer; find answers to your stimulus questions; ask a general tax related question.

Please note – *This page will be updated as more info becomes available.*