



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
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**TO:** All Incarcerated Individuals  
All Work Release Individuals

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**SUBJECT: UPDATE: CARES Act Economic Impact Payments (EIPs)**

On September 24, 2020, a federal court in the Northern District of California has held that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) cannot deny an Economic Impact Payments (EIPs) to an incarcerated individual under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136, 134 Stat. 281 (March 27, 2020) solely because he or she is incarcerated.

Incarcerated individuals may now register for the EIP in order to receive a payment if they meet eligibility criteria. The Washington Department of Corrections cannot advise whether you may be entitled to stimulus benefits under the CARES Act or court decision. The enclosed notice contains additional information about the process. Under the court's order, incarcerated persons should be permitted to submit claim forms and receive payments sent by the IRS.

A copy of the legal notice is being shared with the incarcerated population. Form 1040, Form 1040 SR (for those 65 years of age or older) and instructions for those forms are available upon request.

On October 7, 2020, the court further ordered the IRS to extend the deadline to register to October 30, 2020. This memo and attachments replaces the previously issued October 7 memo and attachments. If you intend to file a claim, the form should be mailed to:

**IRS**  
**Austin, TX 73301-0003**

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