

It's Not Too Late to Claim Your Child Tax Credit

Act Now to Start Receiving Monthly Payments

What Is the Expanded Child Tax Credit?

To help people get through the COVID-19 pandemic, the American Rescue Plan massively expanded the Child Tax Credit (CTC). It will give most families \$3,000 to \$3,600 per child, even if the families have little or no income.

Starting July 15, the IRS will pay monthly benefits to families with children of up to:

- \$300 a month per child for children ages 0 to 5.
- \$250 a month per child for children ages 6 to 17.

Families will get the remaining credit they are owed when they file their 2021 taxes in Spring 2022.

The Child Tax Credit will not affect your Medicaid, SNAP/Food Stamps, TANF Cash Assistance, SSI or other public benefits.

Is My Child Eligible?

To be eligible, children must:

- Have a Social Security Number.
- Live with you for at least half of the year.
- Be under age 18 as of December 31, 2021.

Children are eligible if they are your children, adopted children, stepchildren, half-siblings, foster children, grandchildren, nieces or nephews, or certain other relatives.

The adult filing taxes must have a Social Security Number or an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number.

You do not need to have any earnings to get this credit. Families will qualify for a full credit if their income is below \$75,000 for single filers, \$112,000 for people filing as head of household, or \$150,000 for people who are married and filing jointly.

How Do I Get It?

If you filed taxes in the last two years OR used the Economic Impact Payment non-filer tool and reported all of your dependents, you should get your monthly payment automatically. If you did not, you will need to sign up.

To sign up use the CTC Non-Filer Sign Up Tool available here:

<https://www.irs.gov/credits-deductions/child-tax-credit-non-filer-sign-up-tool>

Visit <http://www.childtaxcredit.gov> for more information.

