



# 2021 Child Tax Credit (CTC)

How families with children can get tax relief with the  
American Rescue Plan (ARP)

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# The Child Tax Credit (CTC) is transformative

The CTC helps almost **all** families in our country — whether to pay for rent and food for some, or to save for college for others.

When parents can afford to live, **kids do better** (better health, higher educational attainment, higher future earnings, lower stress levels).

40% of U.S. families can't afford an unexpected \$400 expense. CTC gives families a little more **breathing room**.

CTC will **stabilize the economy** for everyone. We just lived through the biggest recession of our lifetimes and — thanks to stimulus checks — our economy is now stable. Stimulus checks boosted spending at all levels and increased small business revenue. We are getting America back on track.

# Help is here

The Child Tax Credit (CTC) in the American Rescue Plan (ARP) gives money to families with children.

We want to **make sure families know**.

# Our goal is to get help to families

## **1 Help build awareness and understanding of CTC**

We want to ensure that tens of millions of families easily receive their Child Tax Credits and understand how it benefits them.

## **2 Help engage families who are eligible but have not yet filed taxes**

We want to make sure they get their Child Tax Credit and Recovery Payments.

# The American Rescue Plan increases the CTC

## More money for every child

- \$3,600 total for every child under 6 years old (up from \$2,000)
- \$3,000 total for every child 6–17 years old (up from \$2,000)
- All working families will get the full credit if they make under \$150,000/year for a couple or \$112,500 for a single family with children (or a Head of Household)

## Automatic monthly payments

People will receive half their CTC in monthly payments from July through December 2021:

- **\$300 each month** for every child under 6
- **\$250 each month** for every child ages 6–17
- They will receive the other half when they file their taxes in 2022

People who get IRS refund through direct deposit will get the CTC in their bank account on the 15<sup>th</sup> of every month. People who don't use direct deposit will get payment by mail around the same time.

# How do families get the money?

## Tax filers get it automatically

Taxpayers who filed tax returns for 2019 or 2020, or who signed up to receive a stimulus check from the Internal Revenue Service: they will get this CTC tax relief automatically.

## Non-filers can still sign up

Individuals and families who did not have to file taxes this year or last year, and did not register for Economic Impact Payments: they can still sign up for CTC payments at [ChildTaxCredit.gov](https://ChildTaxCredit.gov).

They will also get any Economic Impact Payments (“stimulus checks”) that they’re entitled to but may not have received yet.

## **President Biden's American Families Plan calls for extending this tax relief for years to come**

The new Child Tax Credit enacted in the American Rescue Plan is only for 2021.

President Biden strongly believes that we should extend the new Child Tax Credit. That's what he proposes in his American Families Plan.

# Help spread the word!

Here are some ways to get involved:

- ✓ Host or join events at community centers, houses of worship, and other places that families visit.
- ✓ Participate in a webinar with community and faith leaders to tell them about the CTC and how they can ensure access for their communities.
- ✓ Raise awareness on social media like Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.
- ✓ Pitch to local media outlets. Write or place an opinion article about the importance of the CTC.
- ✓ Join local and national TV broadcasts to discuss the impacts of the CTC and how people can access it.
- ✓ Partner with school districts, education leaders, and childcare centers to share information with parents.
- ✓ Reach out to local sports teams and celebrities to raise awareness of the CTC through their social media, events, and other engagements.



# Share flyers from ChildTaxCredit.gov

## Audience:

General (we tested this language, and it should be able to reach large audiences)

## Where this can live:

- Schools, universities
- Grocery stores, pharmacies
- Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) clinics
- Community health centers
- Shelters, community centers

**Help is Here**  
Monthly payments for families with kids

Raising kids can be expensive, and the Child Tax Credit is here to help. President Biden's American Rescue Plan increased the amount of the 2021 Child Tax Credit to support families with children.

The full benefit of the Child Tax Credit is now \$300 per month per child under age 6 and \$250 for each child age 6 to 17.

**Did you file taxes in the last 2 years? Then you don't have to do anything to get the money you're already owed!**  
If you filed your 2020 taxes this year or filed your 2019 taxes last year, or used the IRS "Non-Filer Portal" to get a stimulus check last year you don't need to do anything. The IRS will automatically send you a monthly payment by direct deposit or check beginning on July 15, 2021.

**The Child Tax Credit is \$3,000 to \$3,600 per child with advanced monthly payments.**  
In order to get money to families quickly, the IRS will pay half of the credit as monthly payments now and the other half when you file your taxes next year. In total, you'll receive a total of \$3,600 for each child under 6 and \$3,000 for each child between 6 and 17.

**Didn't file taxes in the last 2 years? There's 1 easy step to receive your Child Tax Credit payments.**  
Just fill out a simple form to begin receiving your monthly Child Tax Credit payments. You can access it by going to [ChildTaxCredit.gov](https://ChildTaxCredit.gov)

**All you'll need to apply are:**

- A reliable mailing address
- Your children's Social Security Numbers
- Your Social Security Number (or ITIN)
- Your bank account information (if you want to receive your payment by direct deposit)

**Eligibility:** Most families, even those with little to no income, can receive the full amount. If you are a single parent making less than \$12,500 or a married couple making less than \$150,000—and have children under age 18 that will live with you for more than half of 2021—you are likely eligible for the full benefit. These payments do not affect your eligibility for other federal benefits like SNAP.

Learn more and check out resources to help you fill out your form at [ChildTaxCredit.gov](https://ChildTaxCredit.gov)

**Ha llegado la ayuda:**  
Pagos mensuales a familias con hijos

Criar a sus hijos puede ser costoso, y el crédito tributario por hijo brinda ayuda. El plan de rescate estadounidense del presidente Biden aumentó la suma del crédito tributario por hijo en el 2021 para respaldar a las familias con hijos.

El beneficio completo del crédito tributario por hijo es ahora de US \$300 por mes por hijo menor de 6 años y de US \$250 por cada hijo de 6 a 17 años.

**¿Presentó su declaración de impuestos en los últimos 2 años? Entonces no necesita hacer nada para recibir el dinero!**  
No necesita hacer nada si presentó su declaración de impuestos de 2020 este año o presentó la de 2019 el año pasado, o utilizó el "Portal del IRS para no contribuyentes" ("Non-Filer Portal") a fin de recibir un cheque de estímulo el año pasado. El IRS le enviará de forma automática un pago mensual por medio de depósito directo o cheque, a partir del 15 de julio de 2021.

**El crédito tributario por hijo es de US \$3,000 a US \$3,600 por hijo en pagos mensuales anticipados.**  
A fin de hacer llegar el dinero a las familias rápidamente, el IRS entregará la mitad del crédito en forma de pagos mensuales ahora y la otra mitad en el momento que usted presente su declaración de impuestos el año entrante. En total, recibirá US \$3,600 por cada hijo menor de 6 años y US \$3,000 por cada hijo de entre 6 y 17 años.

**¿No presentó su declaración de impuestos en los últimos 2 años? Hay un paso fácil para comenzar a recibir los pagos del crédito tributario por hijo.**  
Solo tiene que completar un formulario simple para comenzar a recibir sus pagos mensuales del crédito tributario por hijo. Puede accederlo en [ChildTaxCredit.gov](https://ChildTaxCredit.gov).

**Todo lo que necesita para presentar una solicitud es:**

- Una dirección postal fiable
- Una dirección de correo electrónico
- La información de su cuenta bancaria (si desea recibir sus pagos por depósito directo)
- Los números de seguro social de sus hijos
- Su número de seguro social (o ITIN)

**Eligibilidad:** La mayoría de las familias, incluso las que reciben ingresos bajos o no tienen ingresos, pueden recibir la suma completa. Si usted es un padre o madre sin pareja que gana menos de US \$12,500 o forma parte de una pareja casada que gana menos de US \$150,000, y tiene hijos menores de 18 años que residen en el hogar durante más de la mitad de 2021, seguramente cumple las condiciones para recibir el beneficio completo. Estos beneficios no afectan su aptitud para recibir otros beneficios federales como SNAP.

Infórmese más y consulte los recursos que lo ayudarán a completar el formulario en [ChildTaxCredit.gov](https://ChildTaxCredit.gov)

## What non-filers need to sign up

Set aside at least 20 minutes to use the Non-filer Sign-up Tool

- ✓ A reliable mailing address
- ✓ Email address
- ✓ Your children's Social Security Numbers
- ✓ Your Social Security Number (or ITIN)
- ✓ Your bank account information  
(if you want to receive your payment by direct deposit)

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# Demo

<https://www.freefilefillableforms.com/#/fd/childtaxcredit>

**Let's open it up for Q&A**

**Thank you!**