



Health Resources: Coronavirus (COVID-19)

April 15, 2020

Take The Time...

It's Time to Complete Your 2020 Census!

The US Census Bureau is suspending 2020 Census field operations until June 1, 2020 to protect the health and safety of Census employees. You can help! Complete your census online, by phone, or by mail now and be counted.
my2020census.gov

Rewards Programs Help Your Favorite Charity:

The economic impact of COVID-19 has hit non-profit organizations hard. Sign Up at retailers that donate a % of your purchases to a non-profit every time you shop at no cost to you. Programs: Kroger Grocery @ [kroger.com](https://www.kroger.com) / AmazonSmile @ smile.amazon.com

Screening for COVID-19

Go To: apple.com/covid19 or coronavirus.gov

Download: app.apple.com

COVID-19 / Government Response IRS Update: "Economic Impact Payments"

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) started depositing the "Economic Impact Payment" to taxpayers bank accounts on April 11, 2020. These payments are part of the "Coronavirus AID Relief & Economic Security Act" passed March 27, 2020.

- "Payments" are automatic for most taxpayers and will arrive by direct deposit in your bank account or in the mail to your registered address.
- The first "Payments" will go out to IRS Tax Filers who have bank direct deposit. Paper checks start May 4, 2020.
- Social Security Retirement, Railroad Retirement, & Social Security Disability recipients need take no action. The IRS uses the information on Forms SSA-1099 and RRB-1099 to generate "Payments".
- "Payments" will be sent by direct deposit to a bank account only if the tax payor has set up the direct deposit with the IRS.

New April 2020: Update your information at IRS.gov

For information about Direct Deposit , Change of Address or Payment Status, use these buttons:

Get My Payment or Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info Here

If you moved since you last filed a tax return, go to:

<https://www.irs.gov/taxtopics/tc157>

Source: IRS

VITA Community Tax Centers

United Way of Tarrant County provides FREE tax preparation through Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) at multiple locations. Go to: unitedwaytarrant.org/VITA

IRS Fraud/ Scams: Related to COVID-19 “Economic Impact Payments”

The IRS urges taxpayers to look out for scam artists trying to use the “Economic Impact Payments” to steal personal information and money.

- IRS will not call, text, email or contact your social media.
- IRS will not ask for personal or bank account information.
- Taxpayers must sign in to [IRS.gov](https://www.irs.gov) or submit official IRS forms to send data to the IRS.
- Watch out for emails with attachments or links claiming to have special information about economic impact payments or refunds. Don't take the bait.
- Thieves impersonate tax software providers, and cloud storage providers. Phishing emails generally have an urgent message, i.e., account password expired and directs you to a link or attachments.

Source: IRS / Go to direct to [IRS.gov](https://www.irs.gov) to obtain information

CDC: COVID-19 How To Protect Yourself & Others

- Wash Your Hands Often
- Practice Social Distancing
- Stay Home
- Cover mouth & nose with cloth mask or face cover

Source: CDC

Update: US & State Governments Extend Stay at Home Declarations & Safe Work Restrictions

United States: The “*President’s Coronavirus Guidelines for America, 15 Days to Slow the Spread*”, due to end March 31, extended for 30 days until April 30, 2020.

State of Texas: On April 12, 2020, Governor of Texas, Greg Abbott, renewed the disaster proclamation for Texas, certifying that (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas. The Governor encouraged Texans to stay home and follow executive orders, but has not issued a “stay-at-home order” and does not think it is necessary for Texas.

North Texas Counties and Cities: Executive Orders issued for emergency declarations, stay at home orders and work safe restrictions have been extended:

Collin County: Judge Chris Hill extends only to April 6.
[collincountytx.gov](https://www.collincountytx.gov)

Dallas County: Judge Clay Jenkins extends to April 30.
[dallascounty.org](https://www.dallascounty.org)

Denton County: Judge Andy Eads extends to April 30.
[dentoncounty.gov](https://www.dentoncounty.gov)

Tarrant County: Judge B. Glen Whitley extends to April 30.
[tarrantcounty.com](https://www.tarrantcounty.com)

Source: Government Web Sites

CDC UPDATE: COVID-19 Cases in U.S.

Total cases: 605,005 Total deaths: 24,582

Reporting: 50 states, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, Northern Marianas, US Virgin Islands

Source: CDC

Coalition for Aging LGBT Social Engagement

Committee of Tarrant County: We serve as a resource to promote the health and well-being the senior LGBT community. **Web:** [cfa.lgbt](https://www.cfa.lgbt) **Facebook:** [Coalition for Aging LGBT \(Tarrant County\)](#) / [Coalition for Aging LGBT Texas](#)