

ALERT: Coronavirus Stimulus Check Scams

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To: MCC - All <MCC-ALL@MOHAVE.EDU>

Dear MCC Community,

With the passage of the \$2 trillion stimulus package by congress and the widely publicized stimulus check program the scammers have slithered out of the woodwork yet again to try and part you from your money. Among the scams currently circulating:

- Fake services that claim they can “expedite” your stimulus check for a fee.
- Texts, e-mails, and phone calls stating that the government needs your account number to deposit your check.
- Texts, e-mails, and phone calls stating that the government needs your social security number or other protected information.
- Texts, e-mails, and phone calls stating that you need to visit a website to get your check.
- Texts, e-mails and phone calls stating that you have limited time to secure your stimulus check.
- Texts, e-mails, and phone calls stating that the government needs PayPal information to get you’re a stimulus check.

The scammers are using the same tools they always do: **Fear, misinformation, and panic.** Do not fall for these tricks. **You don’t need to anything to receive your stimulus check.** The Internal Revenue Service will use a taxpayer’s 2019 tax return or a 2018 tax return for information in order to send out the money via direct deposit or check. The best information on the stimulus program can be found at the IRS Coronavirus website: <https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus>. While you’re practicing social distancing from others practice a little social distancing from scammers and delete any e-mails or text message and ignore any phone calls that tell you differently. Up to date information about the college response to the coronavirus pandemic can be found at the college website: <https://www.mohave.edu/about/safety/coronavirusupdates/#>

Should you have any questions please don’t hesitate to contact me directly.

Thanks,
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THE IT DEPARTMENT WILL NEVER ASK FOR YOUR PASSWORD OVER THE PHONE OR E-MAIL.



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