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Rhode Island to distribute \$250 Child Tax Rebates

PROVIDENCE, R.I. – As announced recently by Governor Daniel J. McKee, many Rhode Island taxpayers will be receiving a one-time Child Tax Rebate this fall. Rhode Island's Fiscal Year 2023 budget provides for a Child Tax Rebate for eligible Rhode Island families.

The Division of Taxation will issue a rebate payment of \$250 per qualifying child, up to a maximum of three children (maximum \$750), to eligible taxpayers. For the purposes of this rebate, a child is defined as an individual claimed as a dependent in Rhode Island who is eighteen years of age or under as of December 31, 2021.

The Division reminds taxpayers that there is no application, however, in order to receive a rebate, taxpayers must file their Rhode Island 2021 Personal Income Tax return.

Eligible taxpayers are those with qualifying dependents that file as either:

- Single, married filing separately, head of household, or qualifying widow/widower with a federal adjusted gross income of \$100,000 or less; or
- Married filing jointly with a federal adjusted gross income of \$200,000 or less.

Only taxpayers domiciled in Rhode Island are eligible to receive a rebate. Rebates will be issued for qualifying dependents that are eighteen years old or under as of December 31, 2021.

You likely qualify for the Child Tax Rebate if you:

- Filed, or will be filing, a 2021 Rhode Island personal income tax return;
- ✓ Filed, or will be filing, single with AGI under \$100k or joint with AGI under \$200k;
- Are domiciled in Rhode Island; and
- Had a child (or children) 18 or under as of December 31, 2021.

There is no need for you to apply for your Rhode Island Child Tax Rebate. If you meet the filing requirements (above), the Rhode Island Division of Taxation will distribute the Child Tax Rebate payment to the mailing address on your Rhode Island 2021 Personal Income Tax return. All rebates will be sent by check.

If your mailing address or other information has changed since the filing of your return, please update your information with the Division by completing and submitting the <u>Child Tax Rebate change of information form</u> on the Division's website (<u>https://www.tax.ri.gov</u>).

For those filing an original or amended return by August 31, 2022, rebates will be issued starting in October 2022. For those filing on extension by the October 17, 2022 extended filing deadline, rebates will be issued starting in December 2022.

When can I expect my rebate?
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Tax Administrator Neena Savage is aware of the impact this program will have on families, saying, "Everyone at work in the Division knows the importance of these funds for families that might be struggling during this difficult time. Issuing rebates to families quickly, efficiently, and securely is our priority."

The Division of Taxation has created a webpage specifically for the Child Tax Rebate. Visit it here: <u>www.tax.ri.gov/ChildTaxRebate2022</u>

The Division will post all updated information on this page – including an upcoming rebate payment tracking tool that will allow you to check the status of your rebate. To ensure that resources are available to process rebates as quickly as possible, please use this page to receive the most recent updates regarding the Child Tax Rebate.

Please visit the <u>Division's webpage</u> and its <u>Frequently Asked Questions link</u> for additional information regarding Rhode Island's 2022 Child Tax Rebate.

The Rhode Island Division of Taxation, part of the Rhode Island Department of Revenue, is open to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. business days. For more information, contact the Division of Taxation at (401) 574-8829 or see <u>https://tax.ri.gov/about-us/contact-us</u>.