Stimulus Check Information

We'll keep you regularly informed of how best we can serve you during COVID-19. We look forward to continuing to help you with all your financial needs. At Johnsonville TVA Employees Credit Union, we are committed to service, and we are committed to helping you.

STIMULUS CHECK FACTS:

- Stimulus checks come from the <u>IRS</u>, and they are your **BEST** resource for information about payments.
- The Credit Union does not get notified when stimulus checks are direct deposited or mailed. For the most up-to-date information on stimulus checks, visit the Economic Impact Payment Information Center at www.irs.gov.
- For most taxpayers, stimulus check payments are automatic, and you do not have to sign-up to receive a payment. Stimulus check payments are based on your most recent tax returns. If your 2019 taxes have not been filed yet, the IRS will use your 2018 tax information. If you used direct deposit when you filed your taxes, your stimulus check will be deposited into the account specified.
- No one will contact you—from the Credit Union or the IRS—to confirm bank information or your personal information.
- If you did not submit a 2019 or 2018 tax return but qualify to receive a check, click <u>here</u> for instructions from the IRS.

HOW TO PROTECT YOUR INFORMATION:

Things to know:

 Cybercriminals are taking advantage of the COVID-19 outbreak to create online scams. Specifically, they are using trusted brands such as World Health Organization (WHO) and the U.S. Center for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) to fake credibility and entice online users into opening attachments.

What You Can Do to Protect Yourself:

- Don't click on any COVID-19 related links or attachments you receive through email or text message. This includes emails sent from personal email providers like Gmail or Yahoo Mail.
- Don't be fooled by legitimate-looking branding on messages you receive. Cybercriminals are pros and there are good fakes making the rounds.
- Online scams will often use language that conveys a sense of urgency, so be alert.
- If you want COVID-19 news, navigate directly to the WHO and CDC websites. We recommend either typing URLs directly into your web browser or using Google Search to search for these sites. Do not follow email links that promise to connect you to these sites.
- Do not input your credentials into any website that you are not 100% sure about the safety, security, or legitimacy of the site.

As your trusted financial institution, we work hard to keep your information safe and secure. But we also want to keep you informed of trends we're seeing to make sure you have the tools you need to stay safe online.