



## DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION

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#### **HAWAI'I STATE TAX DEPARTMENT URGES RESIDENTS TO APPLY FOR FEDERAL ECONOMIC STIMULUS PAYMENT**

HONOLULU – The State of Hawai'i Department of Taxation is reminding residents that the deadline for taxpayers to file their 2007 *federal* tax returns to receive a federal economic stimulus check by December 31, 2008 is October 15, 2008.

Thousands of Hawai'i residents, including many senior citizens, veterans, and people with disabilities, still have not filed a 2007 federal tax return to claim their federal stimulus check.

Individuals who are not normally required to file a federal tax return are still eligible if they received at least \$3,000 from Social Security benefits, veterans benefits, certain railroad retirement benefits and/or earned income in 2007. Taxpayers may submit a simplified version of a 1040A tax form to the IRS in order to receive a stimulus payment. The minimum payment for this group will be \$300 for an individual and \$600 for a couple filing jointly.

The IRS partnered with Free File Alliance to provide a special free service to people who are filing a tax return solely to receive their economic stimulus payment. Once the tax return is e-filed, no further action by the taxpayer is required. The IRS will do the rest. Go to: <http://www.irs.gov/> and click on "Rebate-It's Not Too Late". This service is

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available through October 15, 2008. For people who do not have computer internet service, the IRS has a rebate hotline at 866-234-2942.

Additionally, the local office of the IRS will be sponsoring a booth at the Hawai'i Seniors' Fair – The Good Life Expo at Neal Blaisdell Center starting on September 19, 2008. Seniors are encouraged to visit the IRS booth to get information and assistance.

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