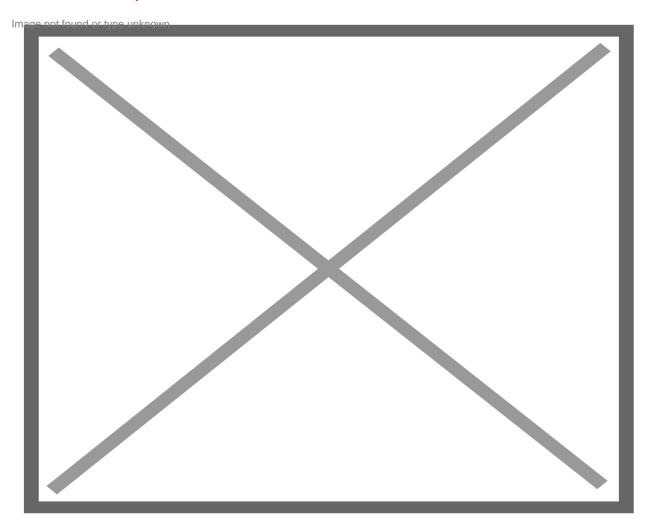
\$1,400 Stimulus Checks Going out This Week, Bryan Says

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The Bryan administration will start issuing federally funded \$1,400 stimulus checks later this week, Governor Bryan said during his weekly Covid-19 press briefing Monday.

"As promised, what you all tuned in to hear, Virgin Islands residents who qualify for the \$1,400 stimulus payment under the American Rescue Plan will start receiving those checks in the mail later this week. So your \$1,400 is on the way," the governor said.

When asked how many would be issued, Mr. Bryan said the Bureau of Internal Revenue usually issues 10,000 check batches, a suggestion of the amount that may be released later this week, although it wasn't a clearcut confirmation.

The governor said his administration has issued approximately 41,524 \$600 stimulus payments to 45,000 taxpayers who filed their 2019 income tax.

He further stated that 92 percent of all persons who filed their 2019 income taxes received a stimulus payment.

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