

Community Bankers Association of Illinois

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It didn't take scammers long to try and steal stimulus checks. Reports are coming in that con artists are using fake checks, phone calls, email phishing and any number of other schemes to try and steal the \$1,200 checks the Trump administration has begun sending to U.S. citizens.

Fortunately, millions of Americans have had payments deposited directly into their bank accounts. Unfortunately, millions more received a paper check. Here is a link to the **U.S. Treasury Check Security Features** site, which describes the unique security features embedded in its checks.

The IRS has established a website devoted to the **Economic Impact Payments**.

Be careful out there.

