

# CURBSTONE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CORPORATION

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### Planning Considerations & Contact Information

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The \$2.2 Trillion stimulus plan contained some tax changes that you should be aware of:

- The Treasury has extended the tax return filing date to July 15, 2020 from April 15, 2020. Many states have aligned their filing dates with the federal requirements but we recommend that you check with your accountant.
- In addition to the filing date, the Treasury has also deferred the payment of taxes to July 15, 2020.
- The Treasury has also extended the deadline for making **2019** IRA contributions to July 15, 2020.
- The relief package also waived the requirement to take a 2020 RMD. This provision reduces the need to take a distribution when the market value of most retirement plans are lower than December 31, 2019 market values on which distribution amounts were calculated **and** helps reduce 2020 tax bill.
- The legislation also eliminates the 10% early withdrawal penalty on distributions from retirement accounts for so-called Coronavirus-Related Distributions.

There are some additional provisions that apply to Inherited IRAs and beneficiaries subject to the 5-year rule and we encourage you to contact us, if you believe you are impacted by these rule changes.

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, provides for direct payments to taxpayers. Specifically:

- Individuals who had up to \$75,000 in adjusted gross income in 2019 will receive a one-time payment of \$1,200, while married couples with AGI up to \$150,000 will get \$2,400. Additionally, taxpayers will receive an additional \$500 for each qualified child. Taxpayers with income above the noted threshold will see their relief payments reduced by \$50 for every \$1,000 in AGI.

These points are the most relevant highlights contained in the CARES Act. We are happy to discuss how you may be impacted and also recommend that you check in with your accountant or tax preparer.

Contact Information: The NH Stay-At-Home Order classifies us as Essential Workers. That said, we want to protect the health and safety of our employees and their families, so we have allowed colleagues to choose whether they work at home or come to the office. Our secure systems and investment in technology solutions allows us to continue to manage through these challenging times.

In order to ensure that you can reach us, we are providing you with our cell phone numbers. The office remains open Monday through Friday from 8:30AM to 5:00PM and Joyce, Pamela and Tom can be reached there at 603.624.8462. Voicemail is available for all members of the Curbstone Team and is being checked regularly. You can also call our cell numbers:

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