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More than 887,000 recipients of Social Security and Supplemental Security Income payments in the country will begin receiving their \$250 one-time checks beginning this week, says U.S. Rep. Harry Mitchell.

The money is coming from the federal stimulus bill, officially known as the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. There are some exceptions, such as those receiving Medicaid living in care facilities.

Disbursements will begin Thursday, May 7, for Social Security recipients. By mid-May, SSI recipients will get their money.

Disabled veterans will also get payments in June.

The hope is that about 50 million recipients who will get these one-time payments will promptly spend them and inject about \$13 billion into the economy.