Millions of tax dollars unclaimed by Californians

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The IRS may have "missing money" waiting for you.

Millions of dollars in refunds owed to thousands of California taxpayers haven't been claimed, says the IRS. There are two kinds of refund monies: undelivered and unclaimed.

If your paper refund check was returned to the IRS as "undeliverable" by the U.S. Post Office, you need to claim it. The IRS uses a taxpayer's last known address, but if you moved and hadn't notified the IRS, your check may be waiting. Undelivered refunds don't expire.

As of last fall, there was \$23.4 million in undelivered refunds sitting unclaimed for some 15,700 California taxpayers, including more than 900 in the Sacramento area, said IRS spokesman Jesse Weller.

The other category is unclaimed tax refunds by those who didn't file a return.

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