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IRS Produces Own App

The IRS has produced its own smart phone application to help taxpayers receive information and check their tax refunds. The app is called IRS2Go and is available for iPhone, iTouch and Android smart phone users. You can download the app for free from Apple's iTunes store and Android's marketplace.

IRS Commissioner Doug Shulman commented, "This new smart phone app reflects our commitment to modernizing the agency and engaging taxpayers where they want, when they want it". He went on to say, "This phone app is a first step for us. We will look for additional ways to expand and refine our use of Smartphone and other technologies to help meet the needs of taxpayers. IRS2GO is thus a safe and efficient way to pay their taxes." He also claims that as the technology develops, it will be easier for taxpayers to access tax-related information.

With the use of the IRS2Go app, you can now check on the status of your tax refund by simply keying in your Social Security number. If you provide the app with the expected refund amount and filing status, you would receive an acknowledgement via email from the IRS within 72 hours with details of your tax refund if you filed your return electronically. If you

filed your return by mail, it would take 3-4 weeks to register.

The app also provided helpful tips about tax planning and preparation. Some topics covered are Tax Credit, child tax credit and so on.

You can also follow the IRS on Twitter at @IRSnews that updates you with tweets regarding the latest changes in tax laws and current programs under the IRS. Other social media channels through which you can receive tax news include sites like Consumers Tube that offers videos related to tax changes, products and new services.