



FREE TAX PREPARATION

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA)

- ✓ Returns prepared by IRS-Certified Preparers
- ✓ You may be eligible for Earned Income Tax Credits, Additional Child Tax Credits and/or Education Credits
 - ✓ Returns Filed Electronically
- ✓ Refunds deposited into your account in 7 to 14 days
 - ✓ No HIDDEN Fees
- ✓ **KEEP ALL OF YOUR MONEY THIS YEAR!!!**

No Residency Requirement

Individuals earning less than \$30,000 & Families earning less than \$54,000

For an Appointment or More Information Call:
(217) 443-8559

VITA is made possible
by the following
community partners:



Did you know...

- ✓ According to the new tax law, the IRS cannot issue refunds for tax returns that claim the Earn Income Tax Credit (EITC) or Additional Child Tax Credit (ACTC) until **AFTER** February 15th
- ✓ Taxpayers **LOSE** a lot of money when they utilize a commercial tax refund preparer.
- ✓ Anticipation refund products may be quick, but they are **COSTLY**.
- ✓ You can have your taxes prepared by IRS-certified tax preparers for **FREE**.
- ✓ Taxes will be filed electronically and deposited into your checking or savings account in as little as 7 to 14 days!



✓ YOU EARNED IT ALL; YOU SHOULD KEEP IT ALL!!!



East Central Illinois Community Action Agency

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PRESS RELEASE:

East Central Illinois Community Action Agency To Begin Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program

DANVILLE, IL (**January 18, 2017**) – East Central Illinois Community Action Agency, in collaboration with Danville Area Community College, has been awarded the 2016 /2017 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Grant (VITA) from the Internal Revenue Service. VITA is designed to provide free Income Tax preparation services to eligible individuals and families. Individuals who earn up to \$30,000, families who earn up to \$54,000, senior citizens, and individuals with disabilities are eligible to receive VITA services; there are no residency requirements.

VITA services will begin on February 1, 2017 and will end on April 13, 2017 at the following VITA Sites:

| Locations | Days | Times |
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| VERMILION COUNTY | | |
| East Central Illinois Community Action Agency 56 N. Vermilion Street Danville, IL 61832 | Mondays and Wednesdays | 3:30 PM to 7:00 PM |
| | Saturdays | 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM |
| Georgetown Ridgefarm High School 500 Mulberry Street Georgetown, IL 61846 | Mondays Only | 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM |
| Danville Area Community College – Lincoln Hall – Room 220 2000 E. Main Street Danville, IL 61832 | Tuesdays and Thursdays | 3:30 PM to 7:00 PM |
| Tax Preparation services are by appointment only ; to schedule an appointment for any of the Vermilion County VITA sites call 217-443-8559 on Monday – Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. | | |
| CHAMPAIGN COUNTY | | |
| Salt & Light Ministries 1512 W. Anthony Drive Champaign, IL 61821 | Tuesdays and Fridays | 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM |
| | Saturdays | 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM |
| To schedule an appointment at Salt & Light Ministries, call 217-355-5654 beginning January 23, 2017; Monday – Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Services will begin on February 7, 2017. | | |

| FOUNTAIN COUNTY – INDIANA | | |
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| Community Action Program, Inc. of Western Indiana 418 Washington Street Covington, IN 47932 | Wednesdays and Thursdays Every Other Saturday – beginning February 11 th | 4:30 AM to 7:00 PM (EST) 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM (EST) |
| To schedule an appointment CAP of Western Indiana, call 765-793-4881 beginning immediately. Services will begin on February 1, 2017. | | |

All customers must bring the following documents to the appointment:

- Proof of identification (photo ID)
- Social Security cards for you, your spouse and dependents
- An Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) assignment letter may be substituted for you, your spouse and your dependents if you do not have a Social Security number
- Birth dates for you, your spouse and dependents on the tax return
- Wage and earning statements (Form W-2, W-2G, 1099-R, 1099-Misc) from all employers
- Interest and dividend statements from banks (Forms 1099)
- All Forms 1095, Health Insurance Statements
- Health Insurance Exemption Certificate, if received
- A copy of last year's federal and state returns, if available
- Proof of bank account routing and account numbers for direct deposit such as a blank check
- Total paid for daycare provider and the daycare provider's tax identifying number such as their Social Security number or business Employer Identification Number
- Forms 1095-A, B or C, Affordable Health Care Statements
- Copies of income transcripts from IRS and state, if applicable

Please be advised, in order to file taxes electronically on a married-filing-joint tax return, both spouses must be present to sign the required forms.

Tax Preparation services are offered free of charge by IRS-certified tax preparers. All returns are filed electronically and customers could have their entire refund deposited into their checking or saving account in as little as 7 to 14 days. In accordance with the IRS website, households that claim the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) or Additional Child Tax Credit (ACTC) will experience a delay this year. The IRS must hold EITC and ACTC refunds until February 15, 2017.

East Central Illinois Community Action Agency is a premiere organization which fully understands and responds to the social and economic needs of families, individuals, and communities in Ford, Iroquois, and Vermilion counties. The mission of East Central Illinois Community Action Agency is to provide information, training, education, and other services that engage and empower families and communities to become self-sufficient.

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