

Northwest Indiana A\$\$et Building Campaign

FREE TAX PREPARATION 2018 SCHEDULE

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Earn It! Keep It! Save It!

IRS trained and certified community volunteers give free assistance to taxpayers whose household income is less than \$54,000. We prepare and file your federal and state income tax returns at no cost to you.

The VITA program:

1. Ensures that you receive all tax benefits for which you are eligible, including the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)
2. Eliminates the fees charged by commercial preparers and rapid refund loans
3. Provides access to resources that can put your money to work for you

What To Bring With You To File Your Taxes

- **Proof of identification** (each person filing needs a valid driver's license or State ID)
- **Birth dates for you, your spouse and dependents on the tax return**
- **Social Security Cards** for you, your spouse and dependents and/or a Social Security Number verification letter issued by the Social Security Administration; or
- Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) letter for you, your spouse and dependents, if applicable
- A list of who on your tax return had **health insurance coverage** in 2017 and which months they were covered (provide this if you did not receive Form 1098-B or 1095-C). **Marketplace participants must bring their 1095-A.**
- A copy of last year's federal and state returns *if available*
- Bank routing numbers and account numbers for Direct Deposit (a blank voided check)
- Total paid for daycare provider and the daycare provider's tax identifying number (the provider's Social Security Number or the provider's business Employer Identification Number)
- To file taxes electronically on a **married-filing-joint tax return, both spouses must be present to sign the required forms**
- Copy of the settlement statement if claiming the homebuyers credit
- Record of rent payment, landlord's name and address/mortgage company statements
- Proof of real estate tax paid for 2017
- Students receiving the educational tax credit need to provide a 1098-T and their student account statement.

We are able to prepare	We are unable to prepare
Wages, salaries, etc. (Form W-2) Interest Income (Form 1099-INT) Dividends Received (Form 1099-DIV) State Tax Refunds (Form 1099-G) Unemployment Benefits (Form 1099-G) IRA Distributions (Form 1099-R) Pension Income (Form 1099-R, RRB-1099, CSA-1099) Social Security Benefits (SSA-1099-B) Simple Capital Gain/Loss (Form 1099-B) Sale of Home (1099-S) <i>limited</i> Self-employed Income (Form 1099-MISC) <i>limited</i> Gambling Winnings (Form W-2G) Cancellation of Debt (Form 1099-C) <i>limited</i> Health Savings Accounts (Form 1099-SA) <i>limited</i> Itemized Deductions <i>limited</i> Education Credits (Form 1098-T) Child Tax Credit Earned Income Credit Affordable Health Care Statements (Forms 1095-A, B or C) Prior Year and Amended Returns <i>limited</i> Limited - Health Insurance Alternative Calculation	Schedule C with losses Complicated & advanced Schedule D (capital gains and losses) Form SS-5 (request for Social Security Number) Form 8606 (non-deductible IRA) Form 8615 (minor's investment income) Form SS-8 (determination of worker status for purposed of federal employment taxes and income tax withholding) Rental property Health Insurance - Shared Policy Allocation
<p><u>If you have items that are marked "limited" please inform the person who is scheduling your appointment to assure we are able to properly prepare your return</u></p>	

Lake County- Crown Point

Northwest Indiana Community Action
5265 Commerce Blvd., St I,
219-794-1829 or online at
<http://tinyurl.com/VITAnwica>

Lake County – East Chicago

East Chicago Public Library
2401 E. Columbus Drive
219-794-1829 or online at
<http://tinyurl.com/VITAnwica>

Lake County - Gary

Indiana University Northwest
3400 Broadway, 219-980-6552

YWCA of Gary
150 West 15th Ave., 219-881-9922

Lake County – Gary (continued)

Urban League of Northwest Indiana
3101 Broadway, 219-980-2093

Lake County – Hammond

Hammond Public Library
564 State St., 219-794-1829 or online at
<http://tinyurl.com/VITAnwica>

Hammond HUB of Innovation
5233 Hohman Ave., 219-794-1829 or
online at <http://tinyurl.com/VITAnwica>

Lake County - Whiting

Whiting Public Library 1735 Oliver St.,
219-659-0269

Porter County – Valparaiso

United Way of Porter County
951 Eastport Centre Dr., 219-464-3583
or online www.UnitedWayPC.org/VITA

Pines Village Retirement Community
3303 Calumet Ave., 219-465-1591

Pulaski County – Winamac

Pulaski County Human Services
115 West Pearl St., 219-794-1829 or
online at <http://tinyurl.com/VITAnwica>

Starke County – Knox

Community Services of Starke County
311 E. Culver Rd, 574-772-7070

FINANCIAL WELLNESS FAIR

Sponsored by First Midwest Bank

February 24, 2018 9 am – 3 pm

Hammond HUB of Innovation, 5233 Hohman Ave., Hammond, IN.

Free tax preparation by appointment only. Contact 219-794-1829 or schedule online at <http://tinyurl.com/VITAnwica>

There will be vendors to assist with: Credit Report Checks, FAFSA Applications, Credit Counseling Services, Identity Theft Education and several other services!

Come in to take advantage of these complimentary services and let us help you improve your financial wellness!

A NEW SERVICE HAS BEING ADDED AT NORTHWEST INDIANA COMMUNITY ACTION

Starting Tuesday, February 6, 2018 (and every **Tuesday** through March) between 9:00am and 3:00pm tax clients can drop off their tax documents and their tax return will be prepared and ready for pick-up the following Tuesday. The intake process will take place when you drop off your documents and we will review your tax return with you when you pick-up your documents.

Walk-in! SUPER SATURDAYS Walk-in!

EAST CHICAGO
March 3 & April 7, 2018 9am - 1pm
Ivy Tech Community College
410 E. Columbus Drive

VALPARAISO
February 3, 10 & 17, March 24 & 31 April 7 & 14, 2018
9am - 5pm
Valparaiso University Law School
656 Greenwich Street

SELF-HELP TAX PREPARATION



If you are comfortable doing your tax return on your own, visit the MyFree Taxes website and E-file your Federal and State income tax return for FREE. Income restrictions apply.

www.myfreetaxes.com