Tax Season: What You

Need to Know

Contact the Office of Congressman Himes

Visit https://himes.house.gov/coronavirus or call 203-333-6600 for more information.



Earned Income Tax Credit

- Does your household have earned income of less than \$57,414? You may be eligible to claim the Earned Income Tax Credit!
- When claiming three or more qualifying children, you can receive up to \$6,728.
- There is no maximum age limit!





Use the EITC Assistant

Child and Dependent Care Credit

- Did you spend money this year on care for a child or dependent while you worked or looked for work? You may receive a credit of up to \$4,000 for care expenses for one qualifying person and up to \$8,000 for two or more qualifying persons.
- Children or dependents must be under age 13 for the days the care was provided during the tax year, or be physically or mentally incapable of self-care.



Stimulus Payments

- In 2021, many citizens and residents qualified for a \$1,400 payment and an additional \$1,400 per dependent. All stimulus payments have been issued.
- If you qualify and did not receive the third stimulus payment, you will need to claim it as a credit on your 2021 income tax return.



Child Tax Credit

- You may receive up to \$3,600 for each child age
 5 and under, \$3,000 for each child age 6 through
 17 at the end of 2021.
- There is no income limit to claim this credit in 2021.
- Qualifying children may include foster children or extended family if they meet other criteria.





Check your Advance Child Tax Credit Eligibility

Tax Prep Assistance is Available

If you made \$58,000 or less in the tax year (or are 60 years of age and older with any income), you can file your federal and state taxes for free in person or virtually at a <u>Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) or Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE)</u> program site. To find a VITA or TCE office near you, call 1-800-906-9887 or...

Scan to Find a Location for Free Tax Preparation





Remember: You could receive a tax refund even if you're not required to file!

What to Prepare:

- If you have them, bring a government ID, permanent address, Social Security number/Individual Taxpayer Identification Number and bank account information to your tax preparation appointment.
- Don't have any of the above? That's ok, too.