From: DPA Field Services

Sent: Friday, February 15, 2002 12:43 PM

To: ALL DPA Statewide Staff

Subject: VITA Sites and Low-Income Taxpayers Clinic Statewide

Here are the listings of free tax preparation services in several communities statewide through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic, and the Internal Revenue Service:

- VITA volunteers are trained by the IRS to fill out tax forms and answer questions. Each VITA site has its own hours of operation but all sites are open beginning the first week of February through April 15. The VITA site listing is in a four-fold brochure format. Clients may also call 1-888-AARP-NOW for the site nearest them.
- Alaska Business Development Center is the grantee organization that runs the Low-Income Taxpayers Clinics statewide. They will be providing volunteer tax prepation to 67 communities this year.
- IRS is also sponsoring free tax preparation and will provide services to several rural communities.

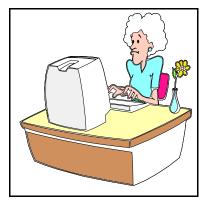
Please provide these valuable resources to clients who may need help filling out their tax forms.

If you have any questions, please call Clarissa Ridgway at 269-7879, or email her at Clarissa_Ridgway@health.state.ak.us.

Alaska

2002
TAX AIDE/VITA
Site
Listing

Free Tax Help



A Volunteer Program Sponsored by:

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

and

AARP

(Rev. 1/23/02)

FREE TAX HELP

Confused about your taxes? Having trouble filing? Then take a moment to read this. Chances are there's a location near you where you can get free, speedy assistance with your federal tax return.

This program is staffed by volunteers that have received training from the IRS. They are ready to assist you in the completion of your tax return. AND...it's absolutely free!

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

This program is designed specifically to help most elderly, low-income, non-English speaking and disabled taxpayers with the preparation of their federal tax returns. In addition, many people that have income under \$32,121 and qualify for the refundable Earned Income Credit have their returns prepared by our volunteers.

PROCEDURES

Your volunteer will indicate TCE or VITA at the bottom of your tax return. TCE represents Tax Counseling for the Elderly and VITA represents Volunteer Income Tax Assistance. This identifies your return as one of thousands prepared by trained volunteers. It in no way affects the likelihood of an IRS examination (audit) of your return.

NO COST ELECTRONIC FILING AVAILABLE

Filing your tax return electronically can get your refund faster. If you have a balance due, electronic filing reduces processing errors and gives you confirmation that your return has been received. No cost electronic filing program may be available in your area. If you're interested, ask your volunteer.

WHAT TO BRING

- 1. Federal tax form packets.
- 2. Your social security card or a current record of your SSN.
- 3. Social security cards or current record of SSN's for all dependents.
- 4. Form W-2 (Wage and Tax Statement) from each employer.
- 5. Forms 1099-INT or 1099-DIV (to report interest and dividends).
- 6. SSA-1099 or RRB-1099 (to report social security and railroad retirement).
- 7. 1099R (to report pension income).
- 8. List of your medical, taxes, interest, contributions, and

- miscellaneous expenses (to itemize your deductions).
- 9. Copies of last year's tax return (helps volunteer prepare this year's return).
- 10. Child and disabled dependent care information.
- 11. Notice 1275, 1277 or 1278 to verify the amount of tax rebate received in 2001.

IS THE REFUNDABLE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR YOU?

You may qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit. See one of our volunteers to find out.

If you:

- _ Have earned income (wages, tips, etc.)
- Have a valid social security number
- Have a qualifying child living with you in your home for over six months, and have income under \$28,281.

OR

Have more than one qualifying child living with you in your home for over six months and have income under \$32,121.

OR

If you:

- Have a valid social security number, and
- Are single or married filing a joint return, WITH NO CHILD, are at least 25 but under 65, and earning less than \$10,710.

MILITARY SITES (Military Personnel Only)

Ft. Richardson Army Base Ft. Richardson, AK 99505 907-384-0371 Electronic Filing Offered

Ft. Wainwright Army Base Ft. Wainwright, AK 99703 907-353-6534 Electronic Filing Offered

Ft. Greely Army Base APO, AP 96508 Contact Ft Wainwright 907-353-6534 Electronic Filing Offered

Elmendorf Air Force Base EAFB, AK 99506 907-552-3046 Electronic Filing Offered

Eielson Air Force Base EAFB, AK 99702 907-377-4114 Electronic Filing Offered

U.S. Coast Guard Station Kodiak, AK 99619 907-487-5546 Electronic Filing Offered

KETCHIKAN

JUNEAU

Juneau Mendenhall Library Mendenhall Mall 9105 Mendenhall Mall Rd Juneau. AK 99801 Sundays, Noon - 4pm Starting March 3 Call (907)789-0125

SITKA

University of Alaska, Southeast

Room 203 Sitka, AK 99835 Mondays 6:30 pm - 8:00pm Starting February 4

Swan Lake Senior Center 402 Lake Street Sitka, AK Mondays 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Starting February 4

Kettleson Memorial Library 320 Harbor Sitka, AK 99835 Mondays 6:30 – 8:00 pm Starting February 4

SOUTHEAST

Craig Public Library

Craig, AK 99921 Tue, Wed & Thur 7 - 8:30 pmSaturdays noon to 2:30 pm Starting Feb. 5

Ketchikan Resource Center The Plaza Mall

Ketchikan, AK 99901 Saturdays, 10am - Noon Starting February 2

SITES

ANCHORAGE AREA

2002 TAX-AIDE and VITA

Northway Mall TaxAide Site

Anchorage, AK 99504 1 – 7 pm on Tues, &Thursday noon to 4 pm on Saturdays Starting Feb. 12 Electronic Filing Offered

Older Persons Action Group

325 E. 3rd Avenue Anchorage, AK 99501 By Appointment & Walk-in Wednesdays 10am - 4 pm Starting Feb. 13 Call (907)276-1059 **Electronic Filing Offered**

Anchorage Senior Center

1300 E. 19th Avenue Anchorage, AK 99501 Thursdays Starts Feb. 21 9:30am - 3pm Electronic Filing Offered

Catholic Social Services

3710 E. 20th Avenue #1 Anchorage, AK 99503

5:30 pm to 7:30 pm on 2/1, 2/5, 2/7, 2/19, 2/21, 2/28, 3/5, 3/7, 3/19, 3/21, 4/2 and 4/4

1 pm to 5 pm on 2/16, 3/2, 3/23 and 4/6

Spanish translators available **Electronic Filing Offered**

Regal Alaska Hotel

4800 Spenard Rd. April 15 Only, Noon - Midnight Sponsored by Alaska Association of Tax Consultants Electronic Filing Offered

Cook Inlet Housing Authority 8901 Peck Avenue Anchorage, AK 99504 Sundays, 4 pm – 8 pm Start Date to be announced

^{*} Handicapped accessible unless otherwise noted.

MAT-SU VALLEY

Palmer Senior Center 831 S. Chugach Street Palmer, AK 99645 Fridays 10 am to 2 pm Starting February 8 Call 745-5454 for appt

Willow Community Center Willow, AK 1:30 – 4:30 pm on 2/6, 2/20, 3/6, 3/20, 4/3 4:30 – 7:30 pm on 2/7, 2/21, 3/7, 3/21, 4/4

Palmer Library 655 S Valley Way Palmer, AK 99645 Mondays 6 – 8 pm Sign-up sheet Starting February 11

FAIRBANKS

Fairbanks Senior Center

1424 Moore Fairbanks, AK 99701 Thursdays 10am - 2:30pm 2/14, 2/21, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 4/4 and 4/11 (907) 452-1735 Electronic Filing Offered

Noel Wien Library

1215 Cowles St.
Fairbanks, AK 99701
Saturday 2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/16, 3/30, and 4/6 1pm – 4pm
Tuesdays 2/12, 2/19, 3/5, 3/19, 4/9 5pm - 8pm
Monday 4/15 5pm – 10pm
Electronic Filing Offered

University of Alaska Fairbanks

Wood Center Fairbanks, AK 99775 TBA Open to students of UAF only

Delta Senior Community Center

Delta Junction, AK 99737 Saturdays - By Appointment Call (907) 895-4956

North Pole Library

North Pole, AK 99705 Wednesday 2/13, 2/20, 3/6, 3/20, 4/3, and 4/10 6pm - 8pm

TOK

Tok Senior Center

Tok, AK 99780 Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:00 am - 11:00 am By Appointment Only Call (907) 883-5157

KENAI PENINSULA

Seward Community Center

336 Third Avenue Seward, AK 99664 Saturdays 2/23, 3/9, 3/23 and 4/6 10 am to 1:30 pm Appointment Preferred Call (907)224-5604

Homer Senior Center

3935 Svedlund Street Homer, AK 99603 Mon, Wed, Thur and Fridays 1 to 4 pm By Appointment Call (907)235-7655 Electronic Filing Offered

SELDOVIA

Senior Citizens Center March 10 – March 21 Times To Be Announced

ENGLISH BAY

Nanwalek IRA Council 100 Nikite Nanwalek, AK Dates and Times To Be Announced

Alaska Business Development Center LOW-INCOME TAXPAYERS CLINIC

WESTERN REGION

February 15-17
March 9
March 22-23
March 24-25
March 26-29
February 15-17
March 8
February 15-17
March 8-10

YUKON DELTA

10) Emmonak	February 22-24
11) Alakanuk	March 1-3
12) Kotlik	March 22-23
13) Nunam Iqua	March 24

SOUTHEAST

14) Hoonah	February 15-17
15) Angoon	February 22-24
16) Kake	March 1-3

BRISTOL BAY

- 17) King Salmon
- 18) Naknek
- 19) Chignik Lake
- 20) Chignik Lagoon
- 21) Pilot Point
- 22) Port Heiden

March 22-29

KODIAK ISLAND

- 23) Ouzinkie
- 24) Port Lions
- 25) Larsen Bay
- 26) Old Harbor
- 27) Akhiok
- 28) Karluk

March 8-16

ST. PAUL ISLAND

29) St. Paul March 1-3

TANANA CHIEFS CONFERENCE (TCC)

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30) Alatna	February 15
31) Allakaket	February 15
32) Bettles	February 16
33) Beaver	February 16
34) Chalkyitsik	February 17
35) Birch Creek	February 17
36) Rampart	February 18
37) Stevens	February 18
38) Manley	February 21
39) Minto	February 22
40) Venetie	February 23
41) Arctic Village	February 24
42) Hughes	February 25
43) Fort Yukon	February 28
44) McGrath	March 1
45) Holy Cross	March 2
46) Anvik	March 3
47) Takotna	March 4
48) Nikolai	March 4
49) Telida	March 4
50) Circle	March 9
51) Eagle	March 10
52) Healy Lake	March 11
53) Dot Lake	March 11
54) Northway	March 12
55) Tetlin	March 12
56) Tanacross	March 13
57) Tok	March 11, 13, 14
58) Nenana	March 15
59) Ruby	March 16
60) Tanana	March 22
61) Huslia	March 23
62) Koyukuk	March 24
63) Kaltag	March 25
64) Nulato	March 26
65) Galena	March 27-28
66) Grayling	March 29
67) Shageluk	March 30

Internal Revenue Service FREE TAX PREPARATION SERVICES

February		
	10	Dillingham
	11	Togiak
	12	New Stuhayok
	13	Manokotak
	14	Koliganek
	25	Iliamna / New Halen
	26	Nondalton / Kokonok
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February 25 – March 8		False Pass
		Cold Bay
		Cold Day
March		
	10	Dillingham
	11	Togiak
	12	New Stuhayok
	13	Manokotak
	14	Clarks Point / Ekwok
	25	Iliamna / New Halen
	26	Nondalton
	27	Egegik / Levelock
April		
	10	Dillingham
	11	New Stuhayok
	12	Manokotak
	13	Togiak
	14	Ekwok
	15	Dillingham