

# WHAT IS VITA?

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA)



The VITA program offers free tax help to people who generally make \$56,000 or less, persons with disabilities, the elderly and limited English speaking taxpayers who need assistance in preparing their own tax returns. IRS-certified volunteers provide free basic income tax return preparation with electronic filing to qualified individuals.

IRS-certified volunteers who provide tax counseling are often retired individuals associated with non-profit organizations that receive grants from the IRS.

Taxpayers who come to free tax preparation sites can find out about programs that will help them leverage their refunds toward the financial success of their families. These asset-building programs provide financial education, homebuyer's education, down payment assistance and low interest car loans.

## QUALIFY FOR HELP?

### YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR THE EITC!

The Earned Income Tax Credit, EITC or EIC, is a benefit for working people with low to moderate income. EITC reduces the amount of tax you owe and may give you a refund.

*The average amount of EITC paid out in 2017 nationwide was more than \$2,488. The average amount in Louisiana was more than \$2,800.*

To qualify for the EITC you must have earned income from working for someone or from running or owning a business or farm and meet basic rules. And, you must either meet additional rules for workers without a qualifying child or have a child that meets all the qualifying child rules for you.

### EITC INCOME LIMITS & RANGE

**\$49,194** [\$54,884 married filing jointly]  
with 3 or more qualifying children  
maximum credit: \$6,431

**\$45,802** [\$51,492 married filing jointly]  
with 2 qualifying children  
maximum credit: \$5,716

**\$40,320** [\$46,010 married filing jointly]  
with 1 qualifying child  
maximum credit: \$3,461

**\$15,270** [\$20,950 married filing jointly]  
with no children  
maximum credit: \$519

## HELPING YOU \$SAVE!

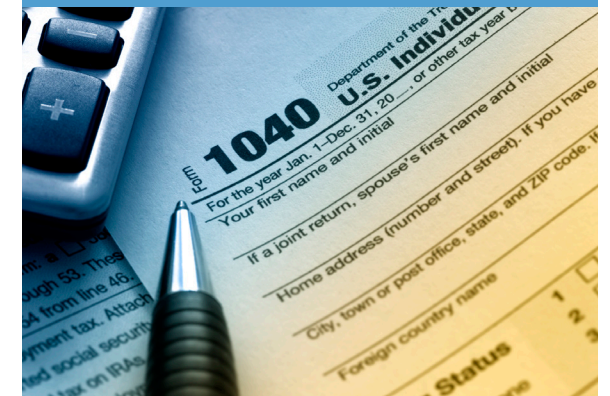
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- Association for the Improvement of Minorities
  - Delgado Community College
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  - Kingsley House
  - Lafourche Community of Concerned Citizens
  - Lafourche VITA Sites
  - Loyola University New Orleans
  - New Orleans Office of Workforce Development
  - Southern University at New Orleans
  - St. John Department of Health and Hospitals
  - Total Community Action
  - Traveler's Aid
  - Tulane University
  - University of Holy Cross
  - Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training
  - Xavier University of Louisiana

## PersonToPerson FREE TAX HELP

- ✓ Get your FULL refund
- ✓ E-file to get your money faster
- ✓ Fast, free & confidential
- ✓ IRS-trained volunteers can help find special tax credits



United Way of  
Southeast Louisiana



# WHAT TO BRING

# WHERE TO GO

Please be sure to have the following information with you when you visit one of our VITA sites:

- Photo ID**
- Copy of Last Year's Tax Return** (if available)
- Spouse** (if married and filing a joint tax return, your spouse must be present)
- Social Security Cards** (for you, your spouse & dependents)
- Birth Dates** (for you, your spouse & dependents)
- Wage & Earning Forms** (all W-2 and 1099 Forms)
- Interest & Dividend Forms** (1099 Forms)
- Total Paid for Day Care** (provider's name and tax ID, if applicable)
- Bank Routing & Account Numbers** (for direct deposit of refund; voided check or bank statement will suffice)
- Proof of foreign status** (if applying for ITIN)
- Form 1095A from the Marketplace**

## FILE ONLINE FOR FREE!

If you **earned less than \$66,000** last year and have an email address, **then you can!**

Learn more at [www.unitedwaysela.org/vita](http://www.unitedwaysela.org/vita).

## GIVE BACK FOR 2-1-1

Donate all or part of your refund to support the work of United Way and 2-1-1. Enter the amount of your donation on Schedule D of your Louisiana Individual Income Tax Return. Donations go to the Louisiana Association of United Ways and Louisiana 2-1-1 for the 2-1-1 helpline. **Learn more at [www.louisiana211.org](http://www.louisiana211.org).**

Some sites will open January 15 and close April 15.

### JEFFERSON

**Access Health Louisiana - Kenner Community Health Center**  
1401 West Esplanade Avenue - Suite 108A, Kenner, LA 70065  
**M, W, F 9:30am-2pm (Closed 1/22, 1/24, 1/26, 2/9, 2/14, 2/16, 2/23, 2/24, 2/28, 3/10, 4/13)**  
Walk-ins Only

**AIM-IRS Westbank**  
901 5th Street, Gretna, LA 70053  
**Sat 9am-12 Noon (Closed 3/2/19)** Walk-ins Only

**Hazel R. Hurst Community Center**  
1121 S. Causeway Blvd, Jefferson, LA 70121  
**M-Th 9am-2pm & F 9am-11:30am (Closed Major Holidays)**  
Appointments Only (504) 838-4277

**Live Oak Library - (LCCC)**  
125 Acadia Drive, Waggaman, LA 70094  
**Mon 1pm-4:30pm (Closed Holidays)**  
Appointments Only (504) 516-8758

**West Bank Regional Library - Ad Hoc (LCCC)**  
2751 Manhattan Blvd., Harvey, LA 70058  
**Mon 1pm-4:30pm (Closed Holidays)**  
Appointments Only (985) 413-1048

### LAFOURCHE

**East St. John High School**  
1 Wildcat Drive. Reserve, LA 70084  
**M & F 2:30pm-5:30pm (Closed School Holidays)**  
Appointments Only (504) 388-8878

**Josie Event Hall**  
126 Williams St., Raceland, LA 70394  
**M 11:30am-4:30pm (Closed Holidays; Call between 10am-5pm to schedule appointments)**  
Appointments Only (985) 413-1048

**Lafourche VITA Site 3**  
16241 East Main Street, Galliano, LA 70345  
**W 9am-4pm & F 9am-12 Noon (Closed Holidays & Government Office Closures)** Walk-ins & Appointments (985) 696-3600

**Lafourche VITA Site 4 - Lockport Town Hall**  
710 Church Street, Lockport, LA 70374  
**T & F 9am-4pm (Closed Holidays & Government Office Closures)**  
Appointments Only (985) 258-6801

**Lafourche VITA Site 2 - Mathews**  
484875 Highway 1, Mathews, LA 70375  
**M & W 9am-4pm (Closed Holidays & Government Office Closures)** Appointments Only (985) 696-3600

**Lafourche VITA Site 1 - Thibodaux Health Unit**  
2535 Veterans Blvd., Thibodaux, LA 70301  
**T & Th 9am-2:30pm (Closed Holidays & Government Office Closures)** Appointments Only (985) 227-1936

**Raceland Recreation Center (LCCC)**  
241 Recreation Drive, Raceland, LA 70394  
**M 12 noon-4pm (Closed Holidays)** Walk-Ins & Appointments (985) 413-1048

### ORLEANS

**AIM - IRS Supersite**  
8110 I-10 Service Road South; New Orleans, LA 70126  
**Sat 9am-11:30am (Closed 3/2/19 and 3/16/19)** Walk-ins Only

**Harmony Neighborhood Development**  
2514 Washington Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70113  
**M-F 10am-4pm & Sat 10am-2pm (After Hours and Saturdays are by Appt. Only)** Walk-Ins & Appointments (504) 418-4051

**Job 1 Business and Career Solutions**  
3400 Tulane Ave., New Orleans, LA 70119  
**T-Th 8am-12 Noon (Closed Holidays)**  
Walk-Ins & Appointments

**Kingsley House**  
1600 Constance Street, New Orleans, LA 70130  
**M-F 10am-1pm & 2pm-6pm (Closed 02/12-13, 03/30, 04/02)**  
Walk-Ins & Appointments (504) 523-6221

**Kingsley House at Columbia Parc**  
1401 St. Denis Street, New Orleans, LA 70122  
**M-F 10am-1pm & 2pm-6pm (Closed 02/12-13, 03/30, 04/02)**  
Walk-ins & Appointments (504) 282-2424

**Loyola College of Law**  
526 Pine Street, New Orleans, LA 70118  
**T & Th 1pm-3pm, Sat 10am-2pm** Walk-ins Only

**New Home Ministries - New Orleans East**  
13800 Hayne Blvd. New Orleans, LA 70128  
**Sun-Sat (Flexible Hours)** Appointments Only (504) 524-3919

**Southern University at New Orleans (SUNO)**  
6400 Press Drive (Conference Center) New Orleans, LA 70126  
**M, W & F 10am-5pm (Closed Holidays, Mardi Gras & Easter)**  
Walk-Ins Only

**TCA - Community & Entergy Services**  
1410 S. Jefferson Davis Pkwy., New Orleans, LA 70125  
**M-Th 1pm-7:30pm, F 1pm-4pm Sat 8:30am-12 noon**  
**Between 4/16/19 - 10/15/19, T 1pm-4pm**  
*(Closed Federal Holidays)* Appointments Only (504) 875-2660

**TCA - Elloie Head Start Center**  
3029 Wall Blvd., New Orleans, LA 70114  
**M-W 5pm-7:30pm (Closed Federal Holidays)**  
Appointments Only (504) 325-5807

**TCA - Gentilly East Head Start Center**  
4347 Reynes Street, New Orleans, LA 70126  
**M-W 5pm-7:30pm (Closed Federal Holidays)**  
Appointments Only (504) 325-5827

**TCA - St. David Center**  
1230 Lamanche Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70117  
**M-W 5pm-7:30pm (Closed Federal Holidays)**  
Appointments Only (504) 459-4846

**Tulane University Law School**  
6329 Freret Street, New Orleans, LA 70118  
**Sat. 10am-4pm** · Walk-ins Only

**Delgado Community College**  
615 City Park Avenue, Bldg. 22/23, New Orleans, LA 70119  
**T-Th 9am-5pm (Must sign in 1 hr. before site closes; Closed School Holidays)** Walk-Ins & Appointments

**United Way of SELA**  
2515 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70119  
**M-F 1pm-6pm (Closed Holidays)** Walk-ins Only

**University of Holy Cross**  
4123 Woodland Drive, New Orleans, LA 70131 Walk-Ins Only  
**F 9am-5pm; Sat 9am-1pm (Closed 3/8/19 & 3/9/19)**

**Vietnamese Initiative Economic Training (VIET)**  
13435 Granville Street, New Orleans, LA 70129  
**M-F 9am-5pm (Closed Holidays)**  
Walk-Ins & Appointments (504) 255-0400

**Word of Truth Fellowship**  
5333 Tullis Drive, New Orleans, LA 70131  
**Sat Only 10am-1pm (Closed 3/2/19)** Walk-Ins Only

**Xavier University**  
909 S. Jefferson Davis Pkwy, Room 345, New Orleans, LA 70125  
**W 2pm-6pm; Th 5pm-7pm; F 2pm-6pm (Closed 3/6/19, 3/7/19, 3/8/19)** Appointments Only (504) 520-5045

### PLAQUEMINES

**Plaquemines Parish Community Care Center**  
115 Keating Drive, Belle Chasse, LA 70037  
**M 9am-1pm (01/28, 02/04, 02/11, 02/25, 03/11, 03/18, 03/25, 04/01 & 04/08); W 9am-1pm (01/30, 02/06, 02/13, 02/27, 03/13, 03/20, 03/27, 04/03, 04/10); F 10am-2pm (02/01, 02/08, 02/15, 03/15, 03/22, 03/29, 04/05);**  
**Sat 10am-2pm (3/16 Only)** Walk-ins & Appointments

### ST. JOHN

**St. John Dept. of Health & Human Services**  
128 Central Avenue, Reserve, LA 70084  
**T, W & Th 9am-3pm (Closed 03/05/2019)**  
Appointments Only (985) 536-4955

### ST. BERNARD

**Access Health Louisiana - St. Bernard Community Health Center**  
8050 West Judge Perez Drive - Suite 1300, Chalmette, LA 70043  
**M, W, F 9:30am-2pm (Closed 1/22, 1/24, 1/26, 2/9, 2/14, 2/16, 2/23, 2/24, 2/28, 3/10, 4/13) Sat 9:30am-12 noon (Open Only 2/24, 3/10)** Walk-ins Only

### TANGIPAHOA

**Springfield Preparatory School Ad Hoc**  
32106 Main Street, Springfield, LA 70462  
**Th 6pm-8pm (Closed Holidays)**  
Appointments Only (985) 662-3404

**Amite Library**  
204 NE Central Avenue, Amite, LA 70422  
**Sat 9am-2pm** · Walk-ins Only

**HELP LA**  
328 East Oak Street, Ponchatoula, LA 70454  
**M 9am-2pm** · (985) 500-5675

### TERREBONE

**Terrebone Main Library**  
151 Library Drive, Houma, LA 70360  
**T 9am-3pm** Walk-ins Only