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Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)



If you work for a living, including self-employment, you may be entitled to thousands of extra dollars in your income tax refund if you qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). The tax preparers at the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program will prepare your return for free and verify that you are getting all of the credits that you deserve

The EITC makes a big difference in our community.

In the state of Florida:

- There are 2,000,000 EITC refunds received by taxpayers
- Totaling 5.2 BILLION DOLLARS
- The average household refund is \$2,533
- The average gross income of a VITA client in Florida is \$24,924
- 17.9% of potential EITC credits go unclaimed, a loss to FL resident of \$698,187,439

File for FREE and Keep the Money You've Earned!

There are no income limits on the returns that the VITA volunteers do, but some types of complicated returns and business or farm returns are out of scope and can't be prepared by the volunteers. Are you getting all that you deserve? **CALL 2-1-1 TODAY** to make an appointment at one of five locations around Marion County for free tax preparation by an IRS Certified VITA Volunteer.





