

## Special Saturday help from IRS available without an appointment on April 9

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WASHINGTON – As the federal tax filing deadline approaches later this month, the Internal Revenue Service today announced that many Taxpayer Assistance Centers will be open around the country this Saturday, April 9 for face-to-face help.

This special Saturday help is available from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and no appointment is needed. Normally, TACs are only open by appointment on weekdays.

"We are inviting anyone who wants or needs some assistance to stop by," said IRS Wage & Investment Division Commissioner and Taxpayer Experience Officer Ken Corbin. "We designed these extra weekend hours to make it easier for taxpayers to resolve an issue, inquire about their account or work with the IRS if they have an obligation they cannot meet. Whatever the case, face-to-face help will be available on this special day without an appointment."

People can also ask about reconciling <u>advance Child Tax Credit</u> or third round <u>Economic Impact Payments</u> or inquire about various other services available while at an IRS office. If assistance from IRS employees specializing in these services is not available, the individual will receive a referral for these services. IRS staff will schedule appointments for a later date for deaf or hard of hearing individuals who need sign language interpreter services. Foreign language interpreters will be available.

While no tax return preparation will be available at any IRS TAC, the IRS.gov webpage, <u>Contact your local office</u>, lists all services provided. Taxpayers can make payments by check or money order. The IRS will not accept cash during these events.

## Come prepared with paperwork

The IRS urges individuals to bring the following information:

- Current government-issued photo identification
- Social Security cards and/or ITINs for members of their household, including spouse and dependents (if applicable)
- Any IRS letters or notices received and related tax and financial documents

During the visit, IRS staff may also request the following information:

- A current mailing address, and
- Bank account information, to receive payments or refunds by <u>Direct Deposit</u>.

The IRS follows <u>Centers for Disease Control social distancing guidelines</u> for COVID-19, and availability may change without notice. It's mandatory for people to wear face masks and social distance at these events when required by CDC guidance, such as in high transmission counties.

Most taxpayers can get help preparing and filing their 2021 federal tax returns using these free, safe and convenient resources:

- Any individual or family earning \$73,000 or less in 2021 can use tax software from providers who
  make their online products available through <u>IRS Free File</u> at no cost. There are products in
  English and Spanish.
- Free help preparing tax returns is available at a <u>Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Center (VITA)</u>
   <u>or Tax Counseling for the Elderly location</u> (TCE) sites. The income limit for VITA assistance is





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\$58,000. To find the closest free tax return preparation help, use the <u>VITA Locator Tool</u> or call 800-906-9887. To find a TCE AARP Tax-Aide site, use the <u>AARP Site Locator Tool</u> or call 1-888-227-7669.

## More information:

- How to Register for Certain Online Self-Help Tools
- Reconciling Your Advance Child Tax Credit Payments on Your 2021 Tax Return
- IRS.gov/rrc to learn about filing requirements for the Recovery Rebate Credit