NEED EXTRA CASH?

WISCONSIN AND FEDERAL EARNED INCOME TAX CREDITS

You may be eligible for both Wisconsin and federal earned income tax credits if you worked any time in 2022. You may be able to get a combined total of state and federal credits up to:

- \$9,293 if you have three or more children and family income less than \$53,057 (single), \$59,187 (married).
- \$6,842 if you have two children and family income less than \$49,399 (single), \$55,529 (married).
- \$3,883 if you have one child and family income less than \$43,492 (single), \$49,662 (married).
- \$560 if you have no children and family income less than \$16,480 (single), \$22,610 (married).

More information can be found at https://www.irs.gov/credits-deductions/individuals/earned-income-tax-credit and https://www.revenue.wi.gov/Pages/Individuals/eic.aspx.

NOTE: Earned income tax credits are not always counted as income when determining eligibility or benefit amount for Wisconsin Works (W-2), Job Access Loans, Emergency Assistance, Refugee Cash Assistance, Transform Milwaukee Jobs, Transitional Jobs, Wisconsin Shares Child Care Subsidy, FoodShare, Wisconsin Medicaid, BadgerCare Plus, Family Planning Only Services, and Caretaker Supplement. Please check with your program for details.

FEDERAL CHILD TAX CREDIT

You may be eligible to receive up to **\$2,000** per dependent child younger than 17. To receive the Child Tax Credit, you have to have earned at least \$2,500 in income to be eligible. This tax credit directly reduces the amount of income tax you owe and up to \$1,500 can be refundable. More information can be found at https://www.irs.gov/help/ita/is-my-child-a-qualifying-child-for-the-child-tax-credit.

FEDERAL CHILD AND DEPENDENT CARE CREDIT

You may be able to claim the Child and Dependent Care Credit if you pay someone to care for one or more dependents or an incapacitated spouse in order for you to work or look for work. The maximum credit is \$3,000 for one dependent and \$6,000 for two or more dependents. The credit depends on family income and the amount of qualified care expenses. More information can be found at https://www.irs.gov/taxtopics/tc602.html.

WISCONSIN HOMESTEAD CREDIT

You may be eligible for a maximum tax credit of up to \$1,168 if you were a Wisconsin resident for all of 2022, owned or rented a dwelling, and had a household income less than \$24,680 for 2022. Individuals are not eligible for the Homestead Credit if they received a W-2 payment in every month of 2022. More information can be found at https://www.revenue.wi.gov/Pages/Individuals/homestead.aspx.

NOT SURE IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THESE TAX CREDITS? NEED HELP TO FIND OUT? NEED FREE TAX RETURN PREPARATION ASSISTANCE?

You can get <u>free tax help</u> by contacting a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) site. VITA sites are generally located at community centers, libraries, schools, shopping centers, and other convenient locations. To find a local VITA site, call 1-800-906-9887 or visit https://irs.treasury.gov/freetaxprep/. For other questions about filing federal income taxes, call 1-800-829-1040.

NOTICE! Some tax preparation companies offer money up front to individuals seeking tax refunds but charge you high interest rates and fees to access your money. You might lose much of your tax refund due to the high interest rates and fees. Please read and understand all documents before signing any agreement. VITA sites are free and have electronic tax filing, which can result in a speedier tax return.