Save-Earn-Learn Indy's Campaign for Financial Fitness

PROVIDED BY THE INDIANAPOLIS ASSET BUILDING COALITION

Save-Earn-Learn: Indy's Campaign for Financial Fitness was created as a way for low-income residents of Marion County to not only "Save" their money by providing free tax preparation, but individuals "Earn" 100 percent of their refund. During their tax preparation, individuals have the opportunity to "Learn" about asset building. Indy's Campaign for Financial Fitness was designed and implemented as a way to encourage people to save money, build assets, and educate in an effort to avoid high interest refund anticipation loans. Other free services offered at the tax sites include: credit reports, public benefits screenings, financial coaching, savings accounts, financial literacy workshops, and child care during the tax preparation.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THIS SERVICE?

- Marion County residents who made \$20,000 or less in 2008 and do not have dependents/children.
- Marion County residents who made \$45,000 or less in 2008 and have dependents/children.

GOALS AND BENEFITS OF SAVE-EARN-LEARN

- Taxpayers directly receive 100 percent of their refund with no fees or interest.
 - ** Direct deposit refunds can be received anywhere from 7 10 days.
 - ** Refunds by mail can be received anywhere from 14 28 days.
- Individuals will be given the opportunity to learn how to become financially fit through asset building.

2008 STATISTICS

- In 2008 this service provided free tax preparation assistance to 3,536 taxpayers; an increase of 89 percent from the previous tax season.
- The amount of federal tax refunds increased by 31 percent during the 2008 tax season and assisted Marion County residents to secure \$3.55 million.
- During the 2008 tax season, 1,279 individuals qualified to receive the Earned Income Tax Credit. As a result, more than \$1.67 million in refunds were received which was an increase of 49 percent from the previous year.

FIND A TAX SITE NEAR YOU

Save-Earn-Learn: Indy's Campaign for Financial Fitness has increased the number of tax site locations.

All sites will be open from January 24 - April 15.

CHRISTAMORE HOUSE

502 N. Tremont Street Indianapolis, IN 46222 Tuesday: 3 - 7 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. - Noon

CONCORD NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

1310 S. Meridian Street Indianapolis, IN 46225 Thursday: 4 - 8 p.m. Saturday: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

FAY BICCARD GLICK NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER AT CROOKED CREEK

2990 W. 71st Street Indianapolis, IN 46268 Monday: 4 - 8 p.m. Wednesday: 12 - 8 p.m. 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month: 8 a .m. - Noon

HAWTHORNE COMMUNITY CENTER

2440 W. Ohio Street Indianapolis, IN 46222 Tuesday: 4 - 7 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. - Noon *** Bilingual Tax Site

JOHN H. BONER COMMUNITY CENTER SUPER SITE

2236 East 10th Street Indianapolis, IN 46201 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Saturdays: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY CENTER

40 W. 40th Street Indianapolis, IN 46208

MARY RIGG NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

1920 W. Morris Street Indianapolis, IN 46221 Tuesday: 3 - 7 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. - Noon

OASIS CHRISTIAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

1701 E. 25th Street Indianapolis, IN 46218 Tuesday: 2 - 6:30 p.m. Thursday: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

SHEPHERD COMMUNITY CENTER

4107 E. Washington Street Indianapolis, IN 46201 Monday: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. - Noon *** Bilingual Tax Site

SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY SERVICES

901 S. Shelby Street Indianapolis, IN 46203 Monday: 4 - 7 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

CALL 2-1-1 FOR MORE INFORMATION