

Volunteer Opportunity

Join Community Action's VITA Free Tax Assistance Program



No prior tax experience is needed!

Each year, many people with low to moderate incomes pay extraordinary fees for tax preparation services. Our volunteer tax preparers help ensure these families get their full refund, FREE!

With just a few hours a week, you can help bring over a million dollars in refunds back to our community!

We train you to prepare taxes!

- Volunteering to prepare tax returns is a rich and rewarding experience.
- Build your resume, experience and community.
- We work with your schedule!
 - Volunteers needed from **January to April**
 - Clinics operate:
 - Wednesday, Thursday evenings & select Saturdays in Greenfield
 - Monday & Tuesday evenings in Northampton.

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"I like volunteer opportunities that are short-term and that have a tangible result. It was enormously satisfying to go through a pretty basic training, to quickly gain a useful skill, and then to turn around and apply that skill a couple of times a week. I enjoyed the camaraderie that the volunteers developed- it was a great group of people to work with!" -Amanda



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Volunteering for the **Free Tax Assistance Program** at *Community Action* is empowering and rewarding. As a volunteer you will learn information that is helpful - personally and professionally AND you get to contribute to your local community!

Top 10 benefits of volunteering for the Free Tax Assistance Program:

1. Learn to prepare basic taxes. Learn EXTREMELY useful information that is invaluable to your clients, participants and their families!
2. Understand how income taxes, tax credits and refunds work so that you can make better decisions for your financial future and teach others the same.
3. Increase your professional ability to impact the economic lives of your clients.
4. Educate others about their right to access tax credits and refunds that can increase their annual income up to \$6,318 (depending on their income and family size).
5. Help single parents know how to claim dependents and how to stop others from fraudulently claiming their children.
6. Teach people how easy it is to protect against identity theft and tax fraud.
7. Empower yourself and others to save money!
8. Be part of serious local economic impact! Free Tax Preparation keeps income in our local communities. Last year this program brought over \$1 million dollars in refunds back to the local economy!
9. Become part of an amazing team!
10. Watch people SMILE as you tell them that they will receive a great refund!

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