



Your Money.
You Earned It.

Now
Claim It



As Much As \$5,891
– or More –
Could Be Waiting
for You!



For More Information:

Refer to the list of FREE Tax Help locations listed on the back page of the February edition of the Sea-Ha Runner.

You may also contact RSVP at 541-888-7332 to obtain information about tax preparation sites and schedules.

Claim your tax credits today!!

File a Tax Return
to Claim the Tax
Benefits You Earned

with the

**Earned Income Credit
and Child Tax Credit**

If you worked in 2012, had children living with you and earned less than about \$47,000




OR

Did not have children living with you and earned less than about \$14,000

You could qualify!

You can get **FREE** tax help.

Call the IRS at **1-800-829-1040** to learn more.





✓ The Earned Income Credit and the Child Tax Credit: You Could Owe Less in Taxes and Get Cash Back from the IRS!

- If you worked in 2012 — full-time or part-time — you may qualify.
- Even if you don't owe income tax you can get the credits.

✓ If You Had Children Living With You for More than Half of 2012:

- **For the EIC**, children must be under 19 in 2012. (Full-time students can be under 24; children who are permanently and totally disabled can be any age.)
- **For the CTC**, children must be under 17 in 2012.

✓ If You Did Not Have Children Living With You:

- You may claim the EIC if you were between ages 25 and 64 in 2012.

✓ How Much Can I Earn? How Large a Tax Credit Can I Get?

For the EIC, if you have:	Earned income less than:	Claim an EIC up to:
1 child	\$36,920	\$3,169
2 children	\$41,952	\$5,236
3 or more children	\$45,060	\$5,891
No children	\$13,980	\$475
For the CTC, if you have:	Earned more than:	Claim a CTC up to:
1 or more children	\$3,000	\$1,000 per child

EIC income limits for married workers are \$5,210 higher!

✓ What if I'm Not a U.S. Citizen? Immigrants who work and meet other guidelines may qualify.

- **For the EIC:** worker, spouse and any child claimed needs a valid Social Security Number.
- **For the CTC:** either a Social Security Number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) is needed.

✓ File a Federal Tax Return to Get the EIC and CTC: Get Free Help!!!

- VITA — Volunteer Income Tax Assistance — helps people fill out tax returns for free.
- Trained community groups operate VITA. **For a site near you, call 1-800-906-9887.**

✓ If You Work, You Can Get These Tax Credits and Not Lose Other Public Benefits

EIC and CTC refunds won't count as income when you apply for or renew benefits like food stamps (now called SNAP), SSI, Medicaid, cash assistance, or public housing. Refunds that are saved do not count against these and other federally-funded benefit program resource/asset limits for 12 months after the refund is received.