2025 P+P TAX CLINICS

HUDDLE NOTES - WEEK FOUR

TAX TIPS: EDUCATION CREDITS

This week's Tax Tip focuses on education credits, how to enter them in TaxSlayer, how to talk with you customers about them to help maximize their refund and resources to help.

Small Tax Tips

Rent Paid Affidavits

Any renters that cannot get a copy or a correct copy of their CRPs can go directly to the state to request a Rent Paid Affidavit. They can contact the phone number on the front of the customer envelope or on the Referrals sheet. They will need proof of payment of their rent. Renters can now request Affidavits starting Feb 1 when previously it was March 1. When using an Affidavit, the state return must be filed by paper.

Child born in the tax year

Minnesota has a credit for children born in the tax year that can be used even when no child care expenses were incurred. Pages 150-151 of the tax manual has guidance on the credit and how to enter in TaxSlayer.

Financial Service Topic

The Financial Health Challenge

This event is an 8-week challenge happening in March and April. People can join anytime throughout tax season and can sign up by scanning the QR code on the flyer or table tent posted around the tax site. This challenge is organized by Money Mentors but is open to anyone who wants to participate. Please provide the FHC flyer to anyone who might be interested, and everyone who expresses interest in Money Mentors.

FAIR Update

All sites will receive printed copies of the "FAIR Next Steps" Handout (English on one side, Spanish on the other), updated CSV manual pages and FAIR updates for site managers this week. There is also a new updated scheduling link for appointments to meet with a FAIR navigator in the quick links section.

Volunteer Management

End-of-shift volunteer survey

We want to hear about your experience in the tax clinics and this year we've made it quick and easy for you to provide feedback, share stories, ask questions, and shout outs to your fellow volunteers. Please take a moment this week to fill out the end-of-shift volunteer survey, which you will find in the Computer Links bookmark on all laptops.

Let's Talk Numbers

| SITE | LAST WEEK | TOTAL FOR THE SEASON |
|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| CAPI | 33 | 86 |
| CRECIMIENTO LATINO | 5 | 14 |
| ESNS | 31 | 85 |
| GREEN CENTRAL | 34 | 71 |
| HALLIE Q BROWN | 20 | 49 |
| MERRICK | 34 | 87 |
| MAIN OFFICE | 199 | 529 |
| SELF EMPLOYMENT | Part of Main office #s | |
| URBAN LEAGUE | 36 | 81 |
| VEAP | 38 | 90 |

Miscellaneous Notes:

- Next round of appointments opens: February 26
- Main office CSV's- the phone in the LL works for folks to call to help with the lift in the entrance of our building. Please answer when it rings.

THANK YOU!!!!