

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program



What is the VITA Program?

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) is a program that offers free income tax preparation to low income, disabled, and limited English speaking taxpayers. HOPES Community Action Partnership Inc. is one of many agencies nationwide who partners with the IRS to provide such a service via IRS certified greeters, screeners, tax preparers.

How do I become certified?

All training material and exams are accessible through IRS' web-based program, Link & Learn Taxes/VITA Central (<u>linklearncertification.com</u>). You can certify for various roles through self study or through our virtual classroom instruction.

Why become a VITA volunteer?

- No prior experience needed.
- Fulfill community service/internship hours virtually.
- Tax professionals receive continuing education credits.
- Flexible scheduling.

Be part of a 50+ year program that has helped taxpayers file tax returns at no cost.