



Become a Tax Volunteer with the Community Action Committee of Pike County's FREE Tax Preparation Program & Make a Difference in Your Community!

If you ever wonder how to make a difference and help people in your community, then becoming a tax volunteer may be just right for you. The IRS is looking for people who will provide free tax help in 2019. You will receive all the tax training you need so you can help others file their tax return.

The IRS sponsors a program that offers free tax help: the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program. In addition, our Program also utilizes funding from the Ohio Benefit Bank (OBB) to assist with free tax preparation.

Here are five good reasons why you should become a VITA & OBB volunteer.



1. **No prior experience needed.** You'll receive specialized training and can serve in a variety of roles.
2. **Free tax law training and materials.** You'll learn how to prepare basic tax returns and learn about tax deductions and credits that benefit eligible taxpayers. These include credits such as the Earned Income Tax Credit, Child Tax Credit and the American Opportunity Credit.
3. **Volunteer hours are flexible.** Volunteers generally serve an average of three to five hours per week. The programs are usually open from mid-January through the tax filing deadline in April.
4. **VITA Sites are in Pike County.** Our sites are located at the Community Action Committee of Pike County Main Offices in Piketon and the Pike County Senior Center in Waverly. You can volunteer at one or both sites.
5. **Continuing education credits for tax pros.** Enrolled Agents and non-credentialed tax return preparers can earn credits when volunteering as a VITA/TCE instructor, quality reviewer or tax return preparer. See the IRS website for more information on Continuing Education Credits.

As a volunteer, you'll join a program that's helped millions of people file tax returns at no charge for more than 40 years. Your help will make a difference. It's people helping people. It's that simple.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING AS A TAX PREPARER, CALL US BEFORE **December 1st!** FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL: PATTY RUSSELL at 740-289-2371 EXT. 7013 or via email at prussell@pikecac.org



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