# Join In The Programs

# **Community Based Outlet Programs**

The Internal Revenue Service and local community businesses and government across the United States are working together to increase accessibility of tax materials to the public.



# **Copy Center Program**

Through this program, copy centers can offer taxpayers a wide variety of IRS forms with instructions for photocopying.



#### **Credit Union Program**

The IRS provides credit unions with a variety of reproducible tax materials to make available to their members.



#### **Grocery Store Program**

Grocery stores are provided laminated tax forms, which they may attach to a self-service photocopy machine.



#### **City and County Governments**

City and County government agencies are provided a variety of tax products so that the community will have easy access to federal tax materials and information.

 For further information on any of the above programs contact our Customer Service Representative at 1-916-636-7705.



### **Post Office Program**

The IRS supplies various tax materials to over 25,000 post offices nationwide. These include individual forms, schedules and instructions.



#### **Library Program**

Participating libraries make available forms, schedules and instructions in either reproducible format, or bulk forms. Currently over 14,000 libraries participate in this program

 Post offices and libraries may contact the IRS at 1-800-829-2765.



### **Corporate Partnership Program**

This program provides employers, of 100 or more employees, with a free copy of the **Publication 1796**, *Federal Tax Products* on CD-ROM. The employer can load this information on their Intranet or local area network so employees can access information.

 For further information on this program, contact our Customer Service Representative at 1-916-636-7705.

# **General Assistance Information**

# Earned Income Tax Credit

Find out if you're eligible. **Call 1-800-829-3676** for our free IRS **Publication 596**, *Earned Income Credit*, or visit our web site at **www.irs.gov** 



# So Easy, No Wonder 40 Million People Use It.

IRS *e-file* offers accurate, safe and fast alternatives to filing on paper. You can e-file through a tax professional; a personal computer; or if you receive a TeleFile Tax Package, over the telephone. IRS computers quickly and automatically check for errors or missing information. IRS acknowledges receipt of an accepted return for processing within 48 hours. Sign your return with an electronic signature using a Self-Select Personal Identification Number (PIN). If you are filing using tax preparation software or a tax professional, you will be asked to create a five-digit PIN. You will also need to know your adjusted gross income (AGI) from last year's originally filed return. Get your refund faster and safer with Direct Deposit - in as few as 10 days. If you have a balance due, pay by an electronic funds withdrawal from your bank account or pay by credit card. Prepare and file your Federal and state returns together and double the benefits you get from e-file. Visit the IRS Web site at www.irs.gov for more information on IRS e-file, including opportunities to e-file at low or no cost.

# Delete the paperwork. Hit



#### Citizen Advocacy Panels

The IRS Citizen Advocacy Panels are independent volunteer groups appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury. The CAPs assist the IRS in identifying ways and methodologies of improving customer service. For more information, visit their website at <a href="https://www.improvelRS.org">www.improvelRS.org</a>.

#### **Taxpayer Advocate Service**

If you have an ongoing issue with the IRS that has not been resolved through normal channels, or are about to suffer a significant hardship as the result of the application of the tax laws, contact the Taxpayer Advocate Service for assistance at 1-877-777-4778.

# Quick and Easy Access to IRS Tax Help and Tax Products



# **Personal Computer**

Access the IRS's web site at www.irs.gov to:

- Obtain Frequently Asked Tax Questions
- Download Electronically Fillable Forms
- Obtain Prior Year Forms
- Search Tax Publications by Topic or Keyword
- Request Help via E-mail
- Receive Hot Tax News via E-mail

#### You can also reach us using:

• File Transfer Protocol at ftp.irs.gov



#### **IRS TaxFax Service**

Dial **703-368-9694** from your fax machine to get up to 3 items per call. See menu of tax products available on pages 2 through 4. Long-distance charges may apply. Follow the directions of the prompts and your items will be immediately faxed back to you.

 For help with transmission problems, call the FedWorld Help Desk at (703) 487-4608.



#### **Phone**

Obtain forms, instructions, and publications 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, by calling:

 1-800-829-3676 to order current year forms, instructions, and publications and prior year forms and instructions. You should receive your order within 10 days.



#### Walk-In

Pick up certain forms, instructions, and publications at many post offices, libraries, and IRS offices. Some IRS offices, libraries, grocery stores, copy centers, city and county governments and credit unions and office supply stores have an extensive collection of products available to photocopy or print from a CD-ROM.



#### Mail

Send your order for tax products to the Distribution Center nearest you. You should receive your products within 10 days after we receive your order.

Western part of U.S.

Western Area Distribution Center Rancho Cordova, CA 95743-0001

Central part of U.S.

Central Area Distribution Center P.O. Box 8903 Bloomington, IL 61702-8903

• Eastern part of U.S. and foreign addresses:

Eastern Area Distribution Center P.O. Box 85074 Richmond, VA 23261-5074



#### **CD-ROM**

Order IRS Publication 1796, Federal Tax Products on CD-ROM, and obtain:

- Current tax forms, instructions and publications
- Prior-year tax forms and instructions
- Popular tax forms which may be filled-in electronically, printed out for submission, and saved for recordkeeping
- Internal Revenue Bulletin

Purchase the CD-ROM via Internet at http://www.irs.gov/cdorders from the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) for \$21 (plus no handling fee). Order by phone at 1-877-CDFORMS (1-877-233-6767) for \$21 (plus \$5 handling fee). The price for 100 or more copies is \$15.75 per CD plus a \$5.00 handling fee.

Availability: First release—early January Final release—late February

#### Minimum System Requirements:

- Microsoft Windows 95, 98, ME, NT, 2000 (Pentium class processor)
  - 32 MB RAM (64 MB Recommended)
  - 115 MB of available hard disk space
- Macintosh, Power Macintosh
- Apple System Software, version 7.5 or later
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