

MINNESOTA ▪ REVENUE ■

Free Tax Assistance Program available for Minnesota - sponsored by both the Minnesota Department of Revenue and the Internal Revenue Service.

In Koochiching County, Free Tax Assistance is offered at:

"KOOTASCA COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL
2232- 2ND AVE. E.
INTERNATIONAL FALLS, MN 56649
Days Open: ""MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY""
Hours Open: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
By Appt. Only
Phone: 218-283-9491 EXT 100
Accessibility: Handicap Accessible
"ALSO OPEN SATURDAY BY APPOINTMENT ONLY."

The Minnesota Department of Revenue announces:

"Free tax preparation sites are open throughout the state of Minnesota from February 1st – April 15th each year. Free tax preparation sites assist individuals who earn below \$30,000 per year, families who earn below \$50,000 per year, and those who speak limited or no English, are senior citizens, or have a disability. This service is free, accurate, and confidential, with e-filing and fast refunds. All volunteers are certified by the Internal Revenue Service to prepare your federal and state income and property tax returns.

For a list of free tax preparation sites near you, click on the following link:
http://revenue.state.mn.us/vita/pages/free_tax_prep.aspx

You can search for sites in your county, zip code, and by sites that offer translation services in Hmong, Spanish, and Somali, etc. Be sure to read through the list of information that should be brought with you to have your taxes prepared.

If you prefer to search for free tax sites by phone, call 651-297-3724 or 1-800-657-9094.

For more information, visit the Minnesota Department of Revenue website at www.revenue.state.mn.us or call 651-296-3781 or 1-800-652-9094. For hearing impaired, call Minnesota Relay at 711 (TTY)."

What should I bring with me?

Every site is a little different but the list below tells you the most commonly required documents. Some of these items may not apply to you in which case you can disregard them.

You may want to print this page and use this list as a reference when gathering your information prior to visiting a site.

Social Security numbers and birth dates for you, your spouse, and all your dependents

Last year's tax returns

W-2s received by you and your spouse for each job

Any 1099s you or your spouse received

Alimony received

Unemployment income statements

Social Security income statements

Any other statements showing income (e.g. for MFIP, MSA, GA, veterans' benefits, workers' comp, etc.)

IRA contributions

Tuition expenses for university, college or technical college (Form 1098-T)

Interest statements for student loans (Form 1098-E)

Any itemized expenses you may wish to deduct, such as:

- Out-of-pocket medical expenses
- Non-cash donations
- Cash donations
- Vehicle license tabs
- Property taxes paid
- Job-related moving expenses
- Mortgage interest paid (Form 1098)
- Tax preparation fees
- Uniform costs

Daycare expenses - you will need to provide the name, address, amount paid, and Social Security number or EIN for each provider you paid.

Minnesota K-12 education credit and/or subtraction expenses:

- Educational software
- Private school tuition or tutoring
- Academic books/materials
- Music lessons and music equipment purchases or rentals
- Tuition for academic summer camp
- Instructor fees for drivers education
- School supplies (must have itemized receipt)

Property tax refund documents

CRP form (Certificate of Rent Paid received from your landlord)

Property tax statements

If you wish to use the direct deposit/direct debit option, be sure to bring your checkbook with you to verify your bank account and routing information.