



FLORIDA PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP

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Florida Prosperity Partnership (FPP), a statewide nonprofit partnership, is once again teaming with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to bring free income tax preparation to low income Floridians. With the redesigned website, www.FreeFLTaxSites.org, anyone in the state can find a location near them with Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) or a Facilitated Self Assistance (FSA) website link to do their tax return from the comfort of their own home with IRS certified volunteers standing by to answer their questions.

The VITA Program generally offers free tax help to people who make \$53,000 or less and need assistance in preparing their own tax returns. IRS-certified volunteers provide free basic income tax return preparation and free electronic filing to qualified individuals in local communities. They can inform taxpayers about special tax credits for which they may qualify such as Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), Child Tax Credit, and credit for qualified retirement savings contributions. VITA sites are generally located at community and neighborhood centers, libraries, schools, and other convenient locations. These can be searched by zip code or county on www.FreeFITaxSites.org.

In addition to traditional face-to-face tax preparation, the IRS also offers self-assistance service at select locations and through the websites of select community partners. If individuals have a simple tax return and need a little help or do not have access to a computer, they can visit one of the participating tax preparation sites or partner websites for assistance, all found on www.FreeFLTaxSites.org. This service is available to people who make \$60,000 or less.

In 2013 (2012 tax year), over 236,000 returns were filed by all volunteer sites (except military) in the State of Florida. This resulted in over \$258 Million in refunds. The average income for these taxpayers was under \$26,000. More information can be found at www.FreeFLTaxSites.org.

The Florida Prosperity Partnership (FPP) is a statewide collaboration dedicated to improving the financial stability for low-to-moderate income Floridians. Established in the fall of 2008, the FPP includes over 500 partner organizations from all sectors of Florida. For more information, please contact Bill Mills, Vice President at 321-209-4377 (4FPP).

