

A TAX BREAK FOR WORKING FAMILIES



DO YOU QUALIFY FOR THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT?

Did your family (three or more children) earn less than \$43,279 (\$48,000 if married) in 2009?

If so, you may qualify for up to \$5,657!

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Catholic Charities at 800-772-2758**

Earned Income Tax Credit for Working Families

The Earned Income Tax Credit is the federal government's largest program benefiting working families and individuals. Help may be there when they file their tax returns in 2010: They may be eligible for tax credits worth as much as \$5,657, and they may qualify for credits even if they did not earn enough in 2009 to owe tax. In 2008, 24.6 million eligible families and individuals claimed Earned Income Credits worth \$48.7 billion and Child Tax Credit refunds worth over \$10 billion. **There are millions more eligible workers that did not file for their credits, foregoing millions of dollars they earned.**

If your family earned less than \$48,279 in 2009 with three or more children and married, (\$43,279 if you are single), you may qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) when you file your tax return. The credit could give you up to \$5,657!

The new maximum credit is \$5,028 for a family with two qualifying children, \$3,043 for a family with one qualifying child and \$457 if there are no qualifying children. The income limit for an individual with no children is \$13,440.

Free help from IRS-certified volunteers is available at community tax preparation sites in your area. Get your taxes prepared FREE and avoid costly "rapid refund loans." New free tax preparation sites have been established in rural communities.

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