



Federal and State Refundable Tax Credits are Available for Working Colorado Individuals and Families



What is a refundable tax credit?

A refundable tax credit puts money back in the pockets of hardworking taxpayers like you. You may be able to claim a credit even if you don't normally file a tax return. If you qualify for a refundable credit, any amount of the credit remaining after reducing the amount of taxes that you may owe to zero is refunded to you.



Earned Income Tax Credits

You may be eligible for refundable tax credits if you earned wages, salaries, tips, or other types of employee pay or you had earnings from self-employment. Generally, eligibility for the Colorado earned income tax credit is based on your eligibility for the federal earned income tax credit. Colorado has expanded eligibility for the Colorado credit for filers who cannot claim the federal credit. You work hard. See if the earned income tax credits can work just as hard for you! Visit Tax.Colorado.gov/ctc-eitc for more information.



Child Tax Credits

You may be eligible to claim these partially refundable credits if you have a social security number or individual taxpayer identification number, have at least one qualifying child who was under age 6 at the end of the year, and are part of a low- or middle-income family. Visit Tax.Colorado.gov/ctc-eitc for more information on eligibility and to see if you qualify!



Family Affordability Tax Credits

You may be eligible to claim these refundable credits if you have a social security number or individual taxpayer identification number, have at least one qualifying child who was under age 17 at the end of the year, and are part of a low- or middle-income family. Visit Tax.Colorado.gov/ctc-eitc for more information on eligibility and to see if your family qualifies!



How to claim the Earned Income Credits, Child Tax Credits, and Family Affordability Tax Credits

To claim the earned income tax credits, child tax credits, or family affordability tax credit, file a federal and state return! Visit Tax.Colorado.gov/ctc-eitc for more details on requirements for and help with filing.



Free Income Tax Filing Help

Qualifying taxpayers may be able to file their taxes for free by using the IRS's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) programs. Colorado residents can file their state income taxes on Revenue Online. More information about these resources can be found at Tax.Colorado.gov/ctc-eitc.



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