



FREE Income Tax Prep!



Plan now to keep more of your hard-earned money before your W-2 form arrives in your mailbox!

Voluntary Income Tax Assistance (VITA) sites provide **free** help from IRS-certified volunteers for those with incomes of less than \$50,000. Get your taxes prepared for free and avoid expensive “rapid refund loans.” You can save more than \$200 by using a VITA site. VITA sites will be open throughout the community — find one that best suits your needs and is in your neighborhood.

Make an appointment for free tax prep at www.cra-nc.org or call 667-1000.

- ✓ Always take advantage of tax credits — EITC, Child Tax Credit, Child and Dependent Care Credit and Education credits.
- ✓ **DO NOT** use “rapid refunds” which are actually loans with very high interest rates. (You can E-file through a VITA site to receive your refund within 10 days—sooner with direct deposit.)

Keep your money — you earned it!