

‘Tax Help New Mexico’ needs community tax volunteers in Gallup

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PHOENIX – United Way Tax Help New Mexico, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program and the Internal Revenue Service need community volunteers to help New Mexico families and other residents to complete their income tax returns.

Community tax volunteers are needed across New Mexico and especially in Gallup.

“Who volunteers? People like you,” said Jeffery Ledbetter, Tax Help New Mexico Spokesperson. “The United Way Tax Help New Mexico program must have community volunteers to continue the good work. Volunteers of all ages and backgrounds are welcome.”

Volunteers are needed to electronically file federal and state income tax returns, greet taxpayers and help organize their paperwork, set up and keep computer equipment running, manage tax sites and handle quality control.

“All volunteers preparing returns are IRS-certified to complete basic, non-business tax returns for people with low to moderate incomes, senior citizens, disabled individuals and for people with English as a second language,” said Ledbetter. “There is a volunteer role for anyone who is interested and wants to give back to their community.”

The program provides volunteers with free training materials on how to prepare basic individual income tax returns and how to file them electronically. Instruction will cover both federal and State of New Mexico, Taxation and Revenue income tax returns.

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Both online and classroom training is available and will take place beginning in late November through January. Once certified, volunteers can spend as little as three to four hours per week volunteering in late January, February, March and April.

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