

VITA PROGRAM

Volunteers needed to train and serve as income tax preparers

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ADRIAN — Community Action Agency (CAA) is seeking adults for its Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program for the 2016 filing season.

With the help of its VITA volunteers, CAA assists qualified households file their federal, state and city income tax returns.

VITA is an IRS-sponsored program to assist low-income, older

adults/seniors, disabled and those for whom English is a second language file their income taxes. Volunteers receive free IRS training material and instruction in January. Certification is required and is accomplished by passing IRS-provided tests for VITA tax preparer certification.

VITA offers flexible scheduling for volunteers as services are provided during the day, evening and some Saturdays during the tax season.

To learn more, visit www.caajlh.org and click on "Volunteer," then "Income Tax Assistance" and "Watch the VITA Volunteer Video" as it will answer many questions and provide additional information on how to sign-up. Those interested may also call Diane at CAA, 263-7861 or 800-438-1845.

VITA also needs support volunteers to be greeters, schedule appointments, answer phones and perform office tasks.