



Increase Your Paycheck and Get a Tax Refund!

*Sign-up for the Advance Earned
Income Tax Credit*




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Family Economic Security Project, contact:

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To learn more about the Advance EITC
www.irs.gov



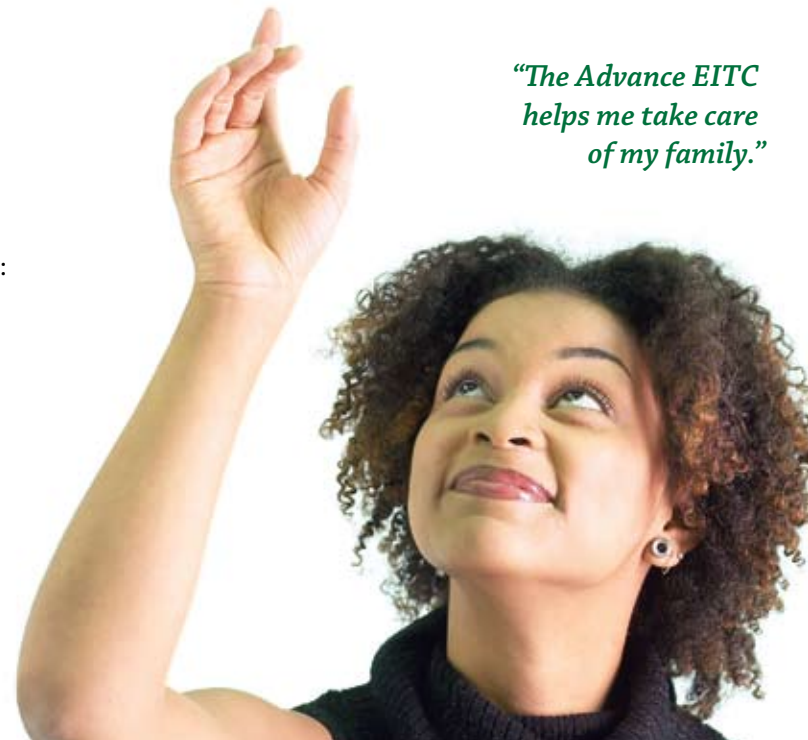
Multnomah County
2008-09 Family Economic Security Project

Cash in on Advance Earned Income Tax Credits

*"The Advance EITC
helps me take care
of my family."*



*"The Advance
EITC is in
your
paycheck,
which offers
more help
every month."*





Sign-up for the Advance Earned Income Tax Credit

The Advance EITC

allows low- and moderate-income workers with children to receive part of their federal tax credit in their paychecks throughout the year, instead of waiting until they file their tax returns.



What's the advantage?

If you enroll in the Advance EITC, your employer withholds fewer taxes from your pay. Depending on your income, you can receive up to \$1,750 in tax credits during the year. You receive the increase in your paycheck.

Who can apply?

- You (and your spouse, if filing a joint return) must have a valid Social Security number
- You must have at least one qualifying child living in your household. (Under IRS rules, your child/children must have lived with you for more than half of the tax year.)
- Your earnings can be any amount from \$7.95 an hour to \$20.00 an hour

Family Eligibility:

<p>SINGLE HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD</p> 	<p>MARRIED FILING JOINTLY</p> 
<p>WITH 1 CHILD EARNES LESS THAN \$33,995 ANNUAL INCOME</p>	<p>WITH 1 CHILD EARNES LESS THAN \$36,995 ANNUAL INCOME</p>
<p>WITH 2 OR MORE CHILDREN EARNES LESS THAN \$38,646 ANNUAL INCOME</p>	<p>WITH 2 OR MORE CHILDREN EARNES LESS THAN \$41,646 ANNUAL INCOME</p>

How do I apply?

Complete the IRS Form W-5. You can download the form from the IRS website or ask your Human Resources staff for a copy of the form. Complete the form and turn it into your HR or payroll staff. It's quick and easy.

Will I still get my tax refund?

If you participate in the Advance EITC program, you would still be eligible for any tax refund due you when you file your tax return.

Free Tax Assistance:

You can find free tax preparation sites near you!

CASH Oregon
www.cashoregon.org
503.243.7765

AARP Tax-Aide
www.aarp.org/taxaide
1.888.227.2669

Questions?

Visit the IRS website
www.irs.gov/eitc
or call 1.800.829.1040

Advance EITC Tips...

- If you're married, and both you and your spouse work, only one parent should claim the Advance EITC.
- This program works best for people whose earnings come from one job. If you (or your spouse) have a second or third job, this probably isn't the program for you. Extra jobs make it more difficult to do the correct tax withholding calculations.
- EITC income doesn't count against you in calculating eligibility for public benefit programs, like the Food Stamp Program or Oregon Health Plan.
- Be sure to file your taxes. If you are low or moderate income, check into having your taxes completed for free at a community site by IRS certified volunteers.

"I know that \$60 or \$70 isn't a lot for some people, but it makes a big difference for my family."

