



Extension
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

TAX CREDITS FOR WISCONSIN FAMILIES

What is Earned Income Credit (EIC)?

The EIC is a tax credit for workers who earn low or moderate incomes. There are two types of Earned Income Credits: a federal credit that is claimed on your federal taxes, and a Wisconsin credit that is claimed on your state taxes. To learn more about EIC and if you are eligible go to <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/eitc/>

What is Homestead Credit?

The Homestead Credit is a state of Wisconsin tax benefit for renters and homeowners with low or moderate incomes. It is designed to lessen the impact of rent and property taxes. Eligible people who do not file Wisconsin state income taxes may still claim the Homestead Credit. To learn more about Wisconsin Homestead Credit and if you are eligible go to <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/eitc/homestead/>

Other Tax Credits

Other tax credits may be available to you, including the Child Tax Credit, the Child, and Dependent Care Credit, and Education Credit, and the Saver's Credit. For more information, see the Get It Back Tax Credits for People Who Work campaign located at <https://www.eitcoutreach.org/tax-credits/>

Tax Assistance Programs

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) programs are designed to help low and moderate-income people file their income taxes. To find the VITA or TCE site nearest you -call 800-829-1040 for VITA site locations or call 888-227-7669 for TCE site locations or call 211 for local tax assistance sites. The Wisconsin Department of Revenue state-sponsored sites can be found <https://www.revenue.wi.gov/Pages/FAQS/pcs-vita.aspx> or <https://www.irs.gov/individuals/free-tax-return-preparation-for-you-by-volunteers>