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**VOLUNTEERS TO AID WITH TAX RETURNS;
COUNCILWOMAN KICKS OFF ANNUAL PROGRAM FEB. 1**

GLENDALE, Ariz. – IRS-certified AARP volunteers have sharpened their pencils and are returning to Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown Street, starting Feb. 1 to begin work on tax returns for area residents who need assistance. Glendale city council member Yvonne Knaack will be on hand to kick off the free service from AARP Tax-Aide which will run through April 18.

Each year the volunteers provide the free help with personal income tax returns for members of the public with low to moderate income. Special attention is given those age 60 and older, but participation is not restricted to AARP members or retirees.

Last year, the Tax-Aide program at Glendale Adult Center was responsible for helping Glendale families recoup almost \$700,000 in the Earned Income Tax Credit; \$408,817 in Child Tax Credit; \$48,573 in Education Tax Credit with total refunds of \$2.6 million. Approximately, 2,700 returns were prepared in 2010. At an average cost of \$150 per return, the service represents a savings of \$405,000.

This year organizers hope to complete even more returns. The service is provided on a first-come, first-serve basis. No appointments are taken. Those wanting to participate should arrive during the following scheduled hours:

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Free Tax Assistance
ADD 1-1-1-1-1-1-1

- 9 a.m. until first 50 people served.
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday
- 9 a.m. until first 75 people served
Thursday
- 9 a.m. until first 25 people served
Saturday

Participants should bring the following items with them:

- Last year's income tax return.
- W-2 forms.
- Unemployment compensation statement.
- SSA-1099 form if paid Social Security benefits.
- All 1099 forms showing interest and/or dividends and documentation of original purchase price of sold assets.
- 1099R forms if you received a pension or annuity.
- Forms indicating federal income tax paid.
- Child care provider information (name, employer ID, Social Security number).
- Receipts or canceled checks if itemizing deductions.
- Social Security numbers for dependents.

AARP Tax-Aide is a program of the AARP Foundation, offered in conjunction with the IRS, and hosted free-of-charge at the Glendale Adult Center. For more information about AARP Tax-Aide, call 1-888-227-7669 or visit <http://aztax-aide.org/>.

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