

**Lead Agency:** County Human Services

**Program Contact:** Mary Li

**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating

**Related Programs:**

**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

This program offer provides \$20,000 of pass-through to continue FY13 one-time-only funding to increase current capacity to provide 500 low-income households with tax preparation services, including claiming the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and other available state/federal tax credits.

Services provide direct cash return to low-income households, increasing their ability to meet the needs of their families, as well as supporting the local economy through increased buying power.

For every dollar invested in program services, at least \$20 is realized by participants.

**Program Description**

Services include: outreach to local businesses employing significant numbers of low-income workers, education sessions for eligible employees, multiple tax preparation sites, and trained and certified tax preparation assistance.

By assisting low-income households to file their taxes in a timely manner and access all credits eligible to them, they are supported in avoiding predatory tax preparation costs, "refund anticipation loans", and potential IRS action. In addition, our entire community benefits from these households' increased spending in the local economy as they are better able to meet their own needs for goods and services.

Financial literacy is a critical skill necessary to achieve economic stability and prosperity.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY11-12)	Current Year Purchased (FY12-13)	Current Year Estimate (FY12-13)	Next Year Offer (FY13-14)
Output	# of tax returns prepared	0	0	500	500
Outcome	\$ leveraged per CGF investment	79	20	20	20

**Performance Measure - Description**

**Legal/Contractual Obligation**

N/A

**Revenue/Expense Detail**

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2013	2013	2014	2014
Contracts	\$0	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000
Total GF/non-GF:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>
Program Total:	<b>\$20,000</b>		<b>\$20,000</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Total Revenue:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Explanation of Revenues**

\$20,000 - County General Fund Video Lottery

**Significant Program Changes** **Significantly Changed****Last year this program was:** #25139A, Anti-Poverty Services

This program was funded with Video Lottery dollars in FY13 as a one-time-only program. This program offer includes ongoing funding from the video lottery fund.