

## **Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic**

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The Erie County Bar Association Volunteer Lawyers Project Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic provides legal representation, advice, and referral services to low-income taxpayers in Western New York who have disputes with the Internal Revenue Service or cannot afford to pay Federal income taxes they owe.

We also provide tax educational outreach for organizations servicing low-income households, immigrants, and refugees in Western New York.



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by VLP, please visit:

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## When we can help

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We can assist you at all stages of your case, including:

- Appeals
- Audits
- Collections
- Court Proceedings

## What we do

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We can assist with most Federal Income Tax issues, including:

- Negotiation or Settlement of Tax Debt
- Earned Income Tax Credit verification and denials
- Dependency exemptions and filing status
- Injured/Innocent Spouse claims
- Worker classification (employee vs. independent contractor)
- Levies and Liens
- Identity Theft involving your tax return, income, or refund claims

**WE DO NOT PREPARE  
FEDERAL TAX RETURNS**

## Am I eligible?

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You are eligible for the LITC services from our office if:

- You are a resident of one of the following counties in Western New York:

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| Allegany    | Ontario  |
| Cattaraugus | Orleans  |
| Cayuga      | Schuyler |
| Chautauqua  | Seneca   |
| Chemung     | Steuben  |
| Erie        | Tioga    |
| Genesee     | Tompkins |
| Livingston  | Wayne    |
| Monroe      | Wyoming  |
| Niagara     | Yates    |

- You have a federal income tax problem with the IRS.
- Your total household gross (before tax) income is below 250% of the Federal Poverty Level.

## Schedule Appointment

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If you think you may be eligible, call:

(716) 847-0662, anytime between 9:00am and 5:00pm Monday through Friday and leave a message.

A staff member will return your call as soon as possible. We **DO NOT** accept walk-ins.

*If you are non English or limited English speaking, interpretation services can be arranged for you.*

## For your appointment

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### BRING PHOTOCOPIES OF:

- any letters or documents sent to you by the IRS
- complete federal income tax returns for the years in dispute with the IRS
- documentation of all current household income/benefits

*We will have difficulty assisting you if you do not have these papers at your appointment*