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## AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Providing Free Tax Assistance and Preparation Now Through April 18

**WASHINGTON, DC**—Now through April 18, AARP Foundation is providing free tax assistance and preparation through its Tax-Aide program. AARP Foundation Tax-Aide, in its 49th year, is the nation's largest free tax assistance and preparation service, offering free tax preparation help to anyone, especially those who are 50 and older, who can not afford a tax preparation service.

Tax-Aide, which is offered free of charge, is available to AARP members and non-members and includes more than 5,000 locations in neighborhood libraries, malls, banks, community centers and senior centers nationwide. Since 1968, Tax-Aide has helped nearly 50 million low- to moderate-income taxpayers.

"AARP Foundation Tax Aide offers worthwhile, free tax assistance to those who need it most," said AARP Foundation Vice President of Tax-Aide Lynnette Lee-Villanueva. "For nearly 50 years, Tax-Aide has provided help to millions of low- and moderate-income taxpayers. Our hard working IRS-certified volunteers offer peace of mind during an already stressful tax season."

In 2016, AARP Foundation Tax-Aide volunteers helped 2.7 million people navigate complicated tax codes, ensure proper credits and deductions and file their federal and state tax returns. Taxpayers who used AARP Foundation Tax-Aide received \$1.41 billion in income tax refunds and more than \$240 million in Earned Income Tax Credits (EITCs).

For more information on documents to bring to the tax site or to locate an AARP Foundation Tax-Aide site, visit www.aarp.org/findtaxhelp or call 1-888-AARPNOW (1-888-227-7669). AARP Foundation Tax-Aide is offered in conjunction with the IRS.

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## **About AARP Foundation**

AARP Foundation works to ensure that low-income older adults have nutritious food, safe and affordable housing, a steady income, and strong and sustaining social bonds. We collaborate with individuals and organizations who share our commitment to innovation and our passion for problem-solving. Supported by vigorous legal advocacy, we create and advance effective solutions that help struggling older adults transform their lives. AARP Foundation is the charitable affiliate of AARP. Learn more at www.aarpfoundation.org.

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