



## **FREE REFUGEE TAX ASSISTANCE DAY TO BE HELD MARCH 2**

**TUCSON, AZ (March 1, 2010)**— United Way of Tucson and Southern Arizona is joining forces with the Arizona Refugee Connection (ARC) to help refugees and their families reach financial stability and reinvest in their own futures. On March 2, United Way and ARC will be holding a Free Refugee Tax Assistance Day at Nottingham Apartments (2660 N. Alvernon) and Oasis Apartments (300 E. Navajo).

At both mobile tax sites, IRS-trained and certified volunteers will prepare federal and state income tax returns and counsel clients to make sure they claim any tax benefits they are eligible for, including the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and child tax credits. The EITC is a refundable federal income tax credit for low and moderate-income working individuals and families. The tax forms will be filed electronically, which reduces the time it takes for clients to receive refunds.

### **Refugees need to bring the following to have their taxes done for free:**

- Picture I.D. for taxpayer and spouse (if applicable)
- Social Security cards for each family member (copies are NOT acceptable). ITIN cards are acceptable
- Proof of income including W2s and 1099 forms
- Documentation of deductible expenses (if itemizing)
- Account and routing numbers for direct deposit
- Last year's tax return (if possible)

**What:** Free Refugee Tax Assistance Day  
**Who:** Refugees from the Tucson area  
**Where:** Nottingham Apartments, 2660 N. Alvernon & Oasis Apartments, 300 E. Navajo  
**When:** Tuesday, March 2 (10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)

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