

WORKING FAMILIES TAX CREDIT



A Tax Refund for Washington Workers Program Overview

Background

In 2021, the state legislature passed Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1297, which expanded eligibility and funding for the WFTC program.

Three policy objectives:

Stimulate local
economic activity.

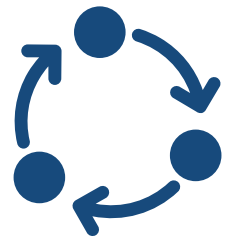
Promote racial equity.

Support financial
stability and wellbeing.

About the program

What is this refund?

- A tax credit for **low-to-moderate income** individuals and families.
- Provides payments up to \$1,255 to **individuals** and **families** who meet the eligibility requirements.
- Payments are based on income level and the number of qualifying children.
- Applications opened on February 1, 2024, for tax year 2023 .
- If you missed us last year, you could still apply! Applications can be submitted for up to three years from the date the federal tax return was due.



Who qualifies?

Applicants must have:

- Filed a federal income tax return.
- A valid Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN).
- Met requirements for the federal EITC **OR** would have met the requirements for EITC but filed with an ITIN.
- Lived in Washington State for more than 183 days the previous year.
- Be at least 25 years old and less than 65 **OR** had a qualifying child.





Income requirements

Number of qualifying children	Applicant must make less than the following in 2023		Maximum credit amount
	Single	Married <i>(filing jointly)</i>	
0	\$17,640	\$24,210	\$315
1	\$46,560	\$53,120	\$625
2	\$52,918	\$59,478	\$940
3	\$56,838	\$63,398	\$1,255

WFTC Eligibility Checker

Applications now open

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Individuals and families may receive up to \$1,255 back if they meet certain eligibility requirements.

[See if you qualify](#)

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Applications are open!

1. Online through MyDOR

- Create or use your existing SAW account. Online application available in English and Spanish.

2. Modernized e-File (MeF), Tax preparation software and providers.

- At VITA and AARP centers: [Additional free resources](#)
- Other providers: [Apply using tax preparation software](#)

3. With one of our **Community partners** in your area: [Get help in your community](#)

4. Paper

- Paper applications available in 13 languages: Arabic, Chinese (Simplified & Traditional), English, Khmer, Korean, Marshallese, Russian, Somali, Spanish, Tagalog, Ukrainian, and Vietnamese.
- Download from website or pick up at one of our local [offices](#).



What you'll need to apply

- Copy of your federal tax return
- SSN or ITIN
- Dates of birth for you, spouse, and children (if applicable)
- Washington state driver's license number or photo ID
- Current mailing address
- Bank account number & routing number, if you chose direct deposit
- Applicant(s) signatures.

Your application will be processed within 30-90 working days.



Why should people apply?

- Direct, flexible cash to meet essential needs.
- Pay for rent, groceries, down payment for a car, etc.
- Put into savings
- College tuition
- Any expense! You can use this extra cash for any purpose

We don't want to leave money on the table!





Communication

Visit our website wftc.wa.gov

- Application portal.
- Eligibility checker.
- Community partner toolkit.
- Community resources.
- FAQs for ITIN filers.
- Request a DOR speaker to do a presentation for your group or organization. Presentations available in several languages.



Get involved

- Help promote WFTC and drive awareness.
 - DOR would love to partner with you on WFTC outreach!
 - We can provide speaking engagements & attend events.
 - Training materials and resources available.

Questions & more information

Outreach team: DORWorkingFamiliesOutreach@dor.wa.gov

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Call center: 360-763-7300

Thank you!