

**Gain job skills
while helping
your neighbors:**

Volunteer for the 2010 tax season

As a volunteer, you can help put **money*** back into the pockets of hard-working Midcoast residents by:

- helping people who earn less than \$50,000 a year **save an average of \$115** by preparing their taxes for free;
- helping people who earn under \$48,000 a year **make the most of their money through the Earned Income Tax Credit (up to \$5,657)**, and
- helping tax payers **stretch their dollars** by telling them about financial asset-building resources.

Why Volunteer?

- **Get FREE training**
- **Become an IRS-certified Tax Preparer, CASH-certified Financial Coach or Greeter**
- **Build your RESUME**
- **Serve as few as 3 hours a week during tax season.**

To Volunteer, contact Sharon Ross at 373-1140, ext. 206 or sharon.ross@voanne.org

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What to expect as a volunteer:

- 2, 1 1/2-hour, in-person training sessions
- 10-13 hours of online IRS-certified training for tax preparers. Less is required for greeters and coaches.
- As few as 3-hours a week, for 3-4 weeks during tax season
- Priceless satisfaction in helping low-to moderate-income individuals and families learn how to get ahead.

*Volunteers make a difference:

- In 2009, **volunteers helped 335 taxpayers** file tax returns that resulted in **nearly \$306,000 worth of refunds.**
- Since 2007, volunteer tax preparers helped **return more than \$650,000 worth of refunds** back to Midcoast residents.
- Volunteers also help hard-working families **learn about the Earned Income Tax Credit** as well as how to **increase their Income, Reduce Debt, Build Savings and Achieve Financial Stability.**

Midcoast Maine CASH Partners:

Border Trust, Bowdoin College, Casey Family Services, Coastal Enterprises, Inc., Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Maine, Downeast Energy and Building Supply, Goodwill Industries, Internal Revenue Service, Key Bank, Midcoast Maine Community Action, United Way of Mid Coast Maine, U.S. Department of HUD; Volunteers of America; University College at Bath/Brunswick; and Women, Work & Community.

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