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VOLUNTEER NEWS AND UPDATES





We are wrapping up the fourth week of tax season and CWF has already filed 3,295 federal returns. Way

to go everyone! As more people are receiving their W-2's we need your help to staff our tax sites. <u>Click here to sign up for volunteer shifts on our portal today</u>.

Can't see the volunteer shifts? That's because you haven't sent us your Volunteer Agreement! Send it ASAP to taxvolunteer@cwfphilly.org.

PRESIDENT'S DAY SCHEDULE

Our main office will be open during regular business hours on Presidents Day, Monday February 20th. However, several of our sites, listed below will be closed for the holiday.

- Howard Stainton Sr. Center (1735 Simpson Ave.)
- ACHIEVEability (5901 Market St.)
- CareerLink Northwest (5847 Germantown Ave.)
- Dixon House (1920 S. 20th St.)
- Episcopal St. Barnabas (6006 W. Girard Ave.)





QUALITY REVIEWERS NEEDED

CWF is looking for experienced, Advanced certified Tax Preparers to help quality review at all our tax sites. If you're interested in helping out, please take this quick online course and email Diana Allinger, Director of Volunteer Engagement and Partnerships at dallinger@cwfphilly.org.

VOLUNTEERS OF THE MONTH

Every month, CWF will feature 3 extraordinary volunteers who will win a \$50 VISA gift card. Check out our *February Volunteers of the Month* and make sure to congratulate them!

LINDA HEANEY

Lower Cape Senior Center

This is Linda's 5th tax season volunteering with CWF. She was nominated by her Site Manager, Shirley Cruz, who says Linda "steps in every time help is needed including, but not limited to, answering tax preparers questions, intake, and quality reviewing." Linda loves "being able to assist people who do not have the ability to file themselves and, who often times, lack the ability to pay a preparer."





BARBARA BUNGY

CWF Headquarters

This is Barbara's first tax season with CWF, but she has already clocked in over 45 hours! She has a Masters degree in Business and Public Health, but has recently changed careers and accepted a position as an Individual Taxpayer Advisor with the IRS. Barbara volunteers with CWF because she enjoys working with people directly and educating them about their credits and deductions. "It's a great way to build my skills and also serve communities."

CHUCK O'HARA

Howard Stainton Senior Center

Chuck has been a VITA volunteer since 2013. He was nominated by Shirley Cruz. "Chuck is kind to the entire team and stays well past closing to ensure we're not behind on returns." Chuck "loves the interaction with people, both those that use the service as well as the volunteers. It is rewarding to see the same people who come back to use the service year in and year out."



Tax Site Spotlight:

CENTER CITY

RISE Building, 1425 Arch St. (2nd Floor)

Mon/Wed: 9am - 7pm Tues/Thur: 9am - 6pm

Fri: 9am - 3pm **Sat**: 10am- 3pm







Center City Supersite is one of our busiest tax sites. These photos show our fabulous volunteers and Site Manager, Carmen Manning (below, second from the right), who has been with CWF for 14 years. This bustling site is conveniently located across from Love Park and Dilworth Plaza, and just steps away from Reading Terminal Market. They need more volunteers, particularly on Mondays. If you can, please register for shifts at the Center City Supersite to help meet their high demand and say hello to these friendly faces!



