

Pathfinder

This subject guide is for members of the public seeking information on obtaining tax forms and filing taxes in Ohio. For additional information, contact the State Library about available services, reference help and publications at 614-644-7051 or refhelp@library.ohio.gov.

Ohio Specific Resources:

- **Ohio Department of Taxation** (<http://tax.ohio.gov/>): The Ohio Department of Taxation website provides electronic Ohio tax forms and information on filing taxes online or by mail. Their **Filing Season Central** page explains current tax procedures and includes information on finding the location of your refund.
- **The Finder** (http://tax.ohio.gov/online_services/thefinder.stm): The Finder provides information on local taxing jurisdictions and tax rates for all addresses in the State of Ohio including Municipal Tax, Ohio Public School District Income Tax and the Sales and Use Tax.
- **Ohio Benefit Bank** (<http://www.ohiobenefits.org/>): The Ohio Benefit Bank (OBB) is a web-based service that helps connect low and moderate-income Ohioans to helpful programs such as tax preparation and other public benefits.
- **File Faster** (http://tax.ohio.gov/divisions/ohio_individual/individual/filefaster.stm): File electronically using a wizard that leads you through the steps, or fill out an online form.
- **Municipal Income Tax Forms and Information** (http://tax.ohio.gov/divisions/municipalities/municipal_income_tax_forms.stm): A list of cities and villages in Ohio that have enacted a municipal income tax with links to the regional tax agency.

Federal and Commercial Resources:

- **Internal Revenue Service** (<http://www.irs.gov/index.html>): The IRS website includes electronic tax forms and other resources for submitting your federal tax forms.
- **Taxpayer Assistance Center** (<http://www.irs.gov/localcontacts/index.html>): The IRS Taxpayer Assistance Centers (TAC) are your source for personal tax help when you believe your tax issue cannot be handled online or by phone, and you want face-to-face tax assistance. The Taxpayer Assistance Center website provides maps and addresses for assistance centers throughout the country.
- **Free File** (<http://www.irs.gov/efile/article/0,,id=118986,00.html?portlet=8>): Preparation and filing are free for eligible taxpayers. This service is available through a partnership between the Internal Revenue Service and a group of private sector tax software companies.

Filing Resources:

- **Forms and Publications by U.S. Mail** (<http://www.irs.gov/formspubs/page/0,,id=10768,00.html>): This resource allows tax payers to request that many tax forms be sent to them by mail.
- **Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Individuals** (<http://www.irs.gov/efile/article/0,,id=118449,00.html>): Using your zip code, find the nearest provider who can submit your tax forms electronically.
- **Free Tax Return Preparation for You by Volunteers** (<http://www.irs.gov/individuals/article/0,,id=107626,00.html>): The IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and the Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) Programs offer free tax help for taxpayers who qualify.