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to the volunteers who provide free federal income tax assistance within ...

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The Internal Revenue Service is accepting applications for the Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) and Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) grant programs, which will allow some organizations to apply for annual funding for up to three years.

Applications will be accepted through June 1, 2020, on grants.gov. The application packages and guidelines are available on the IRS website. For the 2020 filing season, the IRS awarded 27 TCE grantees \$11 million and 238 VITA grantees \$18 million. Last year, the two grant programs filed nearly 3 million returns at almost 9,000 sites nationwide.

The TCE program was established in 1978 to provide tax counseling and return

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increase the capacity of targeted taxpayers to file returns electronically, to enhance training of volunteers and to maintain the high accuracy rate of returns prepared at VITA sites. For more information on the VITA Grant program, visit the VITA Grant webpage on IRS.gov.

More information:

- Applying for a TCE grant
- Publication 4671, VITA Grant Program Overview and Application Instructions
- Applying for a VITA grant
- Publication 1101, Application Package and Guidelines for Managing a TCE Program

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