This month, we’d like to acknowledge the following two individuals: **Mike Oleksiuk** for PA and **Bei Zhang** for NJ. Northeast SuperSite Manager Mitzie Brown writes, “Mike O (as we like to call him) has been volunteering for 4 years now and has become one of our most dedicated tax preparers. He is a husband and grandfather of 10 and he still finds time to volunteer!! We appreciate everything he has to bring to our Northeast tax family.” Thanks Mike O!

Rutgers Site Manager Blair Gerold writes, “Bei Zhang is new to the Rutgers site this year and she has fit in wonderfully. Her dedication is unparalleled. She is at every session and is always one of the first in the door. She is always sure to observe and ask questions so she can handle all types of returns. Bei really is dedication incarnated.” You rock, Bei!

**TAX SITE STATS!!**

The following are filing statistics from our Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey tax sites:

**Philadelphia**
- Total refunds: 12.9 million
- Total EITC: $5.5 million
- Average Refund: $2,042
- Highest EITC (%):
  1) HACE (59%)
  2) United Communities (55%)
  3) ACHIEVEability (51%)

**New Jersey**
- Total refunds: $1.8 million
- Total EITC: $972,122
- Highest Refund: $1,150
- Highest Production:
  1) Cathedral (46%)
  2) Rutgers (40%)
  3) Atlantic Free Lib (32%)

**Montco**
- Total refunds: 2.5 million
- Total EITC: $972,526 million
- Average Refund: $1,762

**Highest EITC (%)**
- Cadcom (39%)
- Indian Valley (36%)
- Pottstown (28%)

**CONGRATULATIONS!!** The following volunteers have put in at least 50 hours of volunteer time this season and were winners of our 76ers v Nuggets ticket raffle drawing:

1) Naeem Hasaan
2) James McCaughey
3) Carol Gurzo
4) Michael Gathers-LeMar
5) Bernice Gibe
6) Kevin Nguyen
7) Bei Zhang
8) Luis Lopez
9) Cho Cheung
10) Michael Oleksiuk
11) Joseph Clooney
12) Chen Ni
13) Jenny Chung
14) Faris Rassam
15) Debra Brown
Mobile Tax Sites - We are operating 13 Mobile Tax Sites across Philly and Camden. Also, we are once again teaming up with Independence Blue Cross to offer VITA tax prep services out of their amazing IBX Freedom Truck. Click here for location info and to sign up.

VITA APPRECIATION DAY (Mar 15)
When you volunteer with CWFI’s VITA program, you become part of a powerful legacy of community improvement, engagement and financial empowerment. As a gesture of our appreciation of you, we are distributing goodie bags to each site. If your site has not received its goodie bags yet, you will soon!! Thank you!!

CELEBRITY IN THE HOUSE!
On February 27, CWFI’s CEO, Mary Arthur, was on CBS3 Eyewitness News This Morning talking about CWFI and the impact our volunteers have each tax season in the region. And, on each Sunday at 8am until the end of tax season, Mary will be on Senator Hughes’ radio show on 100.3 WRNB. Listen in and share on social media!

SPREAD THE WORD
CWFI offers two free tax prep tools that we encourage all our interns, volunteers, staff and friends to utilize. Its super easy to use!

[Under $33,000] [Under $66,000]

CE Credits - Are you a CPA or Certified Financial Planner? Are you seeking Continuing Education credit for your time as a VITA volunteer? Check out this IRS Fact Sheet for more info and be sure to send us your completed Volunteer Agreement as soon as you satisfy the requirements.

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