Welcome to The CWF VITAmix! This newsletter is our platform for sharing volunteering news, tax tips and updates, a forum to acknowledge our amazing volunteers, and a way to keep in touch with everyone who is a part of our community.

PRESEASON WORKSHOPS!!
This year, because of the new tax law, CWF will be conducting pre-season workshops in October and November at our North Central Philadelphia office to go over the new tax law, as well as the corresponding enhancements TaxSlayer has made in response to VITA volunteer feedback. Please join us. Space is limited, and refreshments will be served!

- **Oct 17, 5:30-7pm**—New Tax Law & VITA
- **Oct 23, 5:30-7pm**—TaxSlayer Enhancements
- **Nov 14, 5:30-7pm**—New Tax Law & VITA
- **Nov 20, 5:30-7pm**—TaxSlayer Enhancements

Click dates or go to [http://cwfphilly.volunteerhub.com](http://cwfphilly.volunteerhub.com)

In response to the feedback received by all of you who attended our trainings last year, we are revamping our Preseason Bootcamp trainings. Beginning the last week of November and running through the first 3 weeks of December, Bootcamp will consist of three weekday sessions and conclude with Advanced certification on the following Saturday, for a total of 24 hours. Topics will now include such issues as Injured Spouse, 1099K, etc. as well as state tax law. Attendance is obligatory for Site Management Team members and Tax Associate interns, but is open to returning vols who want to be Advanced. Sign up will be available in early November. Space is limited. Questions? Please email Jonathan.

CWF’s Individual Development Account (IDA) matching-funds program still has a few more slots left to fill. For more information about the program and its qualifying criteria, please contact Kenneth Haubert, our Asset Development Director at [khaubert@cwfphilly.org](mailto:khaubert@cwfphilly.org) 215-982-2219.

TICKETS

Come watch the Phillies wrap up their season. Only $5 a ticket for the following upcoming games:

- **Sept 14 & 15, 7pm vs Marlins**
- **Sept 17, 18 & 19, 7pm vs Mets**

Please email Jonathan how many tickets you want to purchase and how you will make payment. We will need to order tickets 24 hours in advance of each game. Cash or check only please. Go Phillies!!

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We still want to hear from you! If you volunteered with us this past tax season, please take a moment to tell us about your experience so that we can continue to improve and grow our VITA program, and ultimately better serve our customers. It's completely anonymous and super quick. Thank you to all of you who already have!

Do you normally receive a refund when you file your taxes? Do you receive a W-2 or retirement benefits? If so, have you checked your withholdings this year since the Tax Cuts & Jobs Act went into effect? Under the TCJA, the withholding schedule changed and less taxes may be withheld from your paycheck, thus resulting in a smaller refund or you may even owe. You can calculate the right number of allowances by using the worksheet on the W-4 or you can or use the IRS “Withholding Calculator” tool. To use it, you’ll need your most recent pay stub, a copy of your 2017 federal tax return and any information about deductions or credits you expect to take this year.

Are you a seasoned volunteer with over 2 years of experience with us? Want to get paid to serve at one of our tax sites this upcoming tax season? Consider joining one of our Site Management Teams as a tax preparer or Resource Specialist consultant. Minimum time commitment is 20-25 hours per week. For more information and instructions to apply, visit our website https://cwfphilly.org/job-opportunities/

HAVE YOU HEARD? In partnership with TruMark Financial Credit Union, Clarifi and UpLift Solutions, this summer and into the fall we are holding a series of financial wellness workshops for individuals and families seeking additional financial management and saving resources. Are you interested in attending or know someone who is? If so, please Register here.