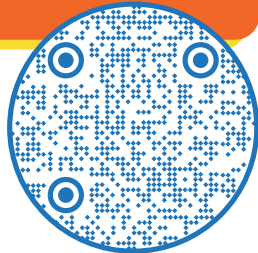# It's not too late to claim your money!

You can file your taxes and get cash back from tax credits, even after Tax Day.

If you earned less than $12,550 in 2021, you don't have to file your taxes, but you should. That's because you likely qualify for cash back from state and federal tax credits.

Don't leave your money on the table. File taxes to claim your money today!

What are tax credits? Tax credits like the California Earned Income Tax Credit (CalEITC) and Young Child Tax Credit (YCTC) help low-income workers increase their tax refunds or reduce the amount of taxes owed after filing taxes.

Who qualifies for the CalEITC and YCTC? You likely qualify for the CalEITC if you worked and you earned less than $30,000 in 2021, even if you don't have a Social Security number. If you also have a child under 6, you can claim the YCTC of up to $1,000 per child under 6. The amount you can earn from tax credits depends on the size of your family and your yearly income.

How can I claim tax credits? The only way is to file your taxes with a Social Security number or an ITIN. Even if you missed the April 18 deadline because you don't usually file taxes, you can file a tax return and claim up to three years of unclaimed tax credits.

Will I get fined for filing late? Not necessarily. You will only get fined if you owe income taxes and there are payment plans available.

Visit **CalEITC4Me.org** to learn more about cash back tax credits and find free, IRS-certified tax experts near you.

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You don't need to pay to file your taxes.

That's right! Save your money with free tax preparation in person and online.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) is an IRS program that certifies volunteer tax preparers to complete your state and federal returns.

It's safe, convenient, and completely free.

▷ **File for free online at GetYourRefund.org.** Get tax help from the convenience of your own home. A real person will prepare your tax return and answer any questions.

▷ **Find a location near you at CalEITC4Me.org.** Get free tax help at a certified nonprofit in your community. Some locations require an appointment, so sign up today!

Put more money in your pocket with cashback tax credits like the California Earned Income Tax Credit (CalEITC). Text EITC to 855-620-2180* and use our calculator to estimate your tax refund.

No Social Security number? No problem! You can still claim state tax credits with an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN). Help is available in your language.

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No Social Security number? No problem!

ITIN holders may still be eligible for hundreds of dollars in cash-back tax credits.

If you work and pay state taxes with an ITIN (Individual Taxpayer Identification Number), you may qualify for the California Earned Income Tax Credit (CalEITC) and the Young Child Tax Credit (YCTC). The amount of your cashback tax credit depends on your income and the size of your family.

➤ What are tax credits?
Tax credits reduce the amount of taxes you owe or increase your tax refund when you file your taxes. If eligible, you could receive hundreds of dollars in cash to buy groceries or pay bills–whatever you and your family need.

➤ Who can receive the CalEITC and YCTC credits?
To qualify for the CalEITC, you must be a worker who earned $30,000 or less in 2021, be at least 18 years old and earn at least $1 to claim the CalEITC when you file your taxes. The YCTC is for taxpayers who have a child under the age of 6.

➤ What if I don't have an ITIN?
You must complete Form W-7 and submit documents that establish your identity to the IRS in order to get your number. Remember: this process can take months, so it's important to get started right away. We can help!

➤ Do state tax credits hurt my chances of getting a green card or citizenship?
No! In fact, it's a good idea to establish a public record of earning income and filing your taxes.

➤ Where can I get free help with my taxes?
Visit CalEITC4Me.org to connect with free in-person and online help.

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Tax Credits

Workers and families, including ITIN holders, can qualify for tax credits that add up to thousands of dollars. Learn how to claim your credits at **CalEITC4me.org** or text **EITC** to 855-620-2180*.

BENEFIT	WHO QUALIFIES	AMOUNT
CTC *Child Tax Credit*	**Families with children 17 and younger**	**Claim the increased Child Tax Credit, up to $3600 dollars per child, when you file your taxes. If you received monthly payments, you may be able to claim up to $1800 per child.**
CalEITC *California Earned Income Tax Credit*	**California workers and families who earn less than $30,000 and file their taxes. Filers with an ITIN may qualify too.**	**Up to $3160 for families and $255 for workers without children.**
YCTC *Young Child Tax Credit*	**California families who earn less than $30,000 and have at least one child under 6. Families with ITIN filers may qualify too.**	**Up to $1,000**
Federal EITC *Federal Earned Income Tax Credit*	**Low-income people who work and file taxes with a Social Security number may be eligible.**	**Up to $6,728 for families and $1,502 for workers without children.**

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What you'll need to prepare your taxes:

Tax season is here and there is money on the table for working Californians through tax credits like the CalEITC. Be prepared for tax filing so you can get your taxes reduced – or even get cash back in your pocket.
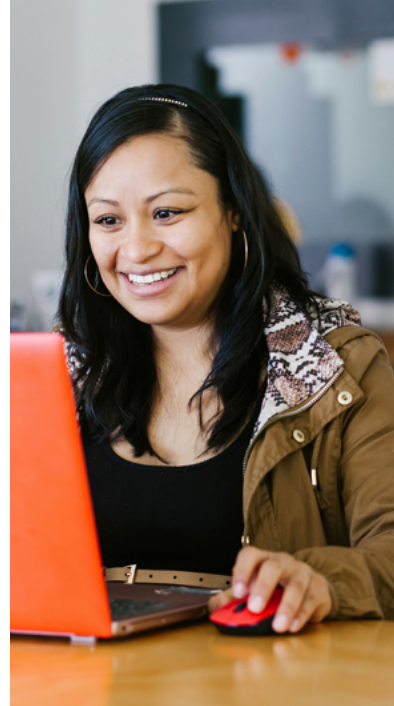
You will need:

- Current photo identification
- Social Security cards or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) forms for you and your family
- Prior year's tax returns (if available)
- Voided check or bank statement to direct deposit your return
- Wages from each job (W-2)
- Advance Child Tax Credit (IRS Letter 6419)
- Your Third Economic Impact Payment (IRS Letter 6475)
- Interest (Form 1099-INT)

If you have or received any of these tax-related documents, bring them too:

- Dividends (Form 1099-DIV)
- Retirement plans (Form 1099-R)
- Gambling winnings (Form 1099-2G)
- Unemployment (Form 1099-G)
- Social Security benefits (Form SSA)
- Tuition to a university or technical college (Form 1098-T)
- Interest paid on student loans (Form 1098-E)
- Daycare expenses paid for your children: bring provider's name, address, tax ID or Social Security number
- Charitable donations receipts
- Mortgage interest and real estate taxes paid in 2020 (Form 1098)
- Health Insurance Proof of Coverage (Form 1095)
- Health Insurance Marketplace Statement, including Covered California (Form 1095-A)

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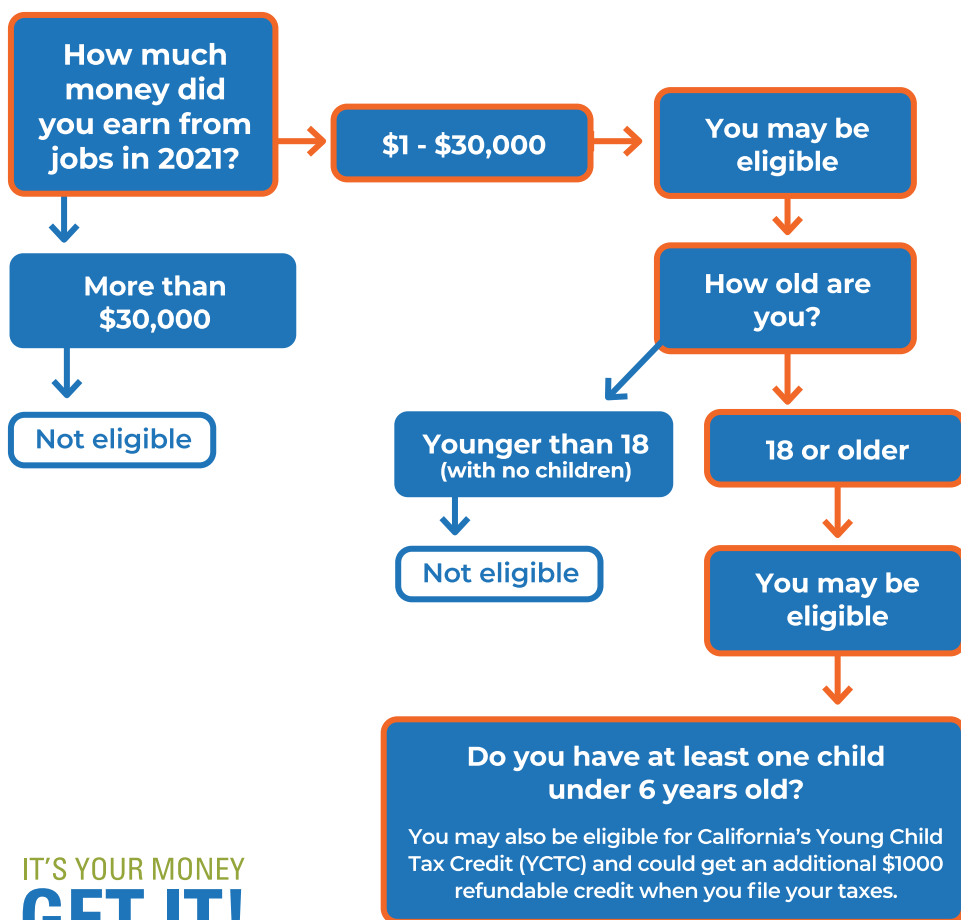
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You do **NOT** need a social security number to qualify for California tax credits. Taxpayers with an **ITIN**, including undocumented immigrants, are eligible for the CalEITC and YCTC (Tax credits, like the CalEITC and EITC, are not considered public benefits under the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services public charge rule).

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Are you eligible for the CalEITC?

The California Earned Income Tax Credit (CalEITC) and the Young Child Tax Credit (YCTC) are tax credits for working Californians.

Get money back to use for the things you need. How much? That depends on your income and family size. Get started today by **visiting CalEITC4Me.org** or **texting EITC to 855-620-2180.***

How much money did you earn from jobs in 2021?

→ **$1 - $30,000** → **You may be eligible** → **How old are you?**

- **Younger than 18 (with no children)** → **Not eligible**
- **18 or older** → **You may be eligible**

More than $30,000 → **Not eligible**

Do you have at least one child under 6 years old?

You may also be eligible for California's Young Child Tax Credit (YCTC) and could get an additional $1000 refundable credit when you file your taxes.

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Provide more for who matters most.

The California Earned Income Tax Credit (CalEITC) and the Young Child Tax Credit (YCTC) are state tax credits for working Californians. If you qualify, you can impact your family's health and success!

Research has found that when families get the Earned Income Tax Credit, it can have many benefits:

- Babies are healthier. Newborns weigh more and infant mortality rates decrease.
- Kids stay in school longer and do better on tests.
- College is an option: kids are more likely to go to college and families able to help pay for it.

Find out if you are eligible at **CalEITC4Me.org**.

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Many older adults need or want to keep working. Make tax credits work for you.

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If you are working after age 65 and you earned $30,000 or less, you may be eligible for the California Earned Income Tax Credit (CalEITC)! Visit **CalEITC4Me.org** to use our online calculator to estimate the amount of your credit.

You may also qualify for other state tax credits and benefits:

- If you're 65 or older, you can claim an extra state tax exemption.
- If you're 62 or older, with an annual income of less than $35,000, you may be eligible to defer payment of state property taxes.
- You may be eligible for CalFresh food assistance and other public benefits and tax credits. See if you qualify for more help at CalEITC4Me.org.

Older Californians also qualify for FREE tax help across the state:

- AARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free tax preparation and has more than 5,000 neighborhood locations. Visit AARP.org/TaxAide or call 888-OUR-AARP (888-687-2277) for more information.
- Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) offers free tax help from January 1 to April 15 each year. Find a location: https://www.irs.gov/individuals/find-a-location-for-free-tax-prep

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People who are self-employed can take advantage of tax credits available to hard working Californians.

If you are in business for yourself and earned less than $30,000, you may qualify for the California Earned Income Tax Credit - the CalEITC! Visit **CalEITC4Me.org** to learn more.

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The amount of your refundable tax credit depends on your income and the size of your family. You are likely self-employed if you did not receive a W-2 and work in an occupation like:

- Ride-share Driver
- Gardener
- Janitor
- Childcare worker
- Homecare worker
- On-call worker
- Independent contractor
- Domestic worker
- Street vendor

Don't forget: Self-employed people have to pay federal self-employment taxes for Social Security and Medicare, in addition to income tax. You may also be required to pay estimated taxes quarterly.

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The Young Child Tax Credit

Provide more for what matters most.

Do you have a child under the age of 6?

If you qualify for the California Earned Income Tax Credit (CalEITC) and have a child under 6 years old, you may also qualify for a tax credit of up to $1,000 through the Young Child Tax Credit (YCTC)!

- **To qualify for the CalEITC, you must be a worker who earned $30,000 or less in 2021, be at least 18 years old and earn at least $1 to claim the CalEITC when you file your taxes.**
- **Qualifying children must be under 6 years of age as of December 31, 2021.**

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You work hard for your money. Make tax credits work for you.

Are you 18 or older, earning $30,000 or less each year, and filing your own taxes (not someone else's dependent)? You are eligible for the CalEITC!

The California Earned Income Tax Credit (CalEITC) and the Young Child Tax Credit (YCTC) are state tax credits for working Californians.

- If you are a parent, with a child under 6 years old*, you may qualify for the Young Child Tax Credit.
- If you're a student or paying off student debt, you may also qualify for education tax benefits.
- Earning less than $9,000 a year? You may still qualify for the CalEITC if you are not a dependent on someone else's taxes and you file your own taxes.

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