

News Release

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Law School Student Volunteers Provide Free Income Tax Preparation Services Through Monday, April 16

The Student-Run VITA Clinic is in its 15th Year of Operation

SAN DIEGO -- The Thomas Jefferson School of Law Tax Society is making tax return preparation accessible and FREE to San Diegans who cannot afford to pay for those services. This marks the 15th consecutive year of the law school's student-run Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Clinic (VITA), which serves senior citizens, low-income families, students and others on limited budgets who cannot afford professional tax services or who are unable to complete their own tax forms.

The VITA Clinic is open through Monday, April 16, 2012. Hours are Monday and Wednesday from 3 to 7 p.m. and on Friday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Clinic accepts walk-ins or appointments can be made in advance at tax@tjsl.edu or 619-297-9700 x4362.

Individuals who wish to have their tax returns prepared must bring in proof of identification, social security cards or a social security number verification issued by the Social Security Administration, wage and earning statement forms, interest and dividend statements from banks and a copy of last year's federal and state returns.

The law student volunteers are IRS certified, but there are restrictions on the types of tax documents they can prepare. They are not allowed to help with business or rental type matters.

The Thomas Jefferson School of Law Clinic is located at 495 11th Avenue in the East Village, near the Park & Market Trolley Station.