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Army Community Service  
Department of the Army  
AMSTA-RI-CF-ACS  
1 Rock Island Arsenal  
Rock Island, IL 61299-5000

Dear Sir or Madam,

The Illinois CPA Society is extremely grateful for the dedicated service of the members of the U.S. Armed forces and their families. In demonstration of our gratitude, the Illinois CPA Society, in partnership with the Internal Revenue Service, offers the **Military Tax Preparation Project**. The Illinois CPA Society has gladly provided this service for the past seven years.

**The Military Tax Preparation Project provides free personal income tax return filing assistance** to members of the U.S. Armed Forces who have recently returned or are still serving in a combat zone or qualified hazardous duty area. The service also assists family members who are filing tax returns on behalf of service men and women who are still serving on active duty or have recently returned.

**Qualifying U.S. Armed Forces personnel are:**

- U.S. Armed Forces personnel who are serving or have served in a combat zone or qualified hazardous duty area during the current tax year
- Current Illinois residents
- And, as per the Military Family Tax Relief Act of 2003, U.S. Armed Forces personnel serving in a Contingency operation.

This program is structured to help those who do not have an existing relationship with a CPA. The Illinois CPA Society will match military personnel who request assistance with a volunteer CPA in their geographic area.

We appreciate your support of this program, and your assistance with promoting this service to the widest possible distribution. Attached is a promotional flyer for you to use in publicizing this free service.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have about the program.

Best Regards,

Jill Wiles

Community Service Manager  
Illinois CPA Society

# Free Tax Return Preparation for Military Personnel

The Illinois CPA Society's **CPAs for the Public Interest**, in partnership with the **Internal Revenue Service**, offers the **Military Service Tax Preparation Project** to provide **free personal income tax return filing assistance** to members of the US Armed Forces who have recently returned or are still serving on active duty in a combat zone or qualified hazardous duty area.

## HOW IT WORKS

The Illinois CPA Society's **CPAs for the Public Interest** will match military personnel and/or their family members with CPA volunteers in their area who will provide free personal federal and state income tax preparation assistance. Volunteers will help qualified persons take full advantage of tax benefits, exclusions, and filing and payment extensions available to them. This is a year-round service, and a spouse or family member can request assistance for military personnel still overseas.

## WHO QUALIFIES

- > US Armed Forces personnel having served in a combat zone or qualified hazardous duty area.
- > US Armed Forces personnel serving in a contingency operation, per the Military Family Tax Relief Act of 2003.
- > Participants must be current Illinois residents.

Individuals who do not have an established client relationship with a tax preparer are encouraged to use this service.

## HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

**Fax this form to the Illinois CPA Society, Attn: Jill Wiles at 312.993.9954 or call 800.993.0407, ext. 277.**

Name of military personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Your name (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to military personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch and unit of the Armed Forces: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of service: \_\_\_\_\_ Through: \_\_\_\_\_

Combat zone or hazardous duty area: \_\_\_\_\_



**CPAs for the Public Interest (CPAsPI)**, the community service arm of the Illinois CPA Society, links the expertise of CPAs and finance professionals with Illinois not-for-profit organizations and community needs.

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