

JOIN US THIS 2020 TAX SEASON

To Ensure Transition Age Youth File Taxes and Receive the Full Cash Back Credits they are Eligible for

John Burton Advocates for Youth (JBAY) invites you to partner with us this upcoming tax season to support youth in care with filing taxes and claiming the expanded California Earned Income Tax Credit (CalEITC), a cash-back tax credit that puts money back into the pockets of California's working families and individuals.



More than 600,000 young adults in California, including current and former foster youth, are expected to qualify for the CalEITC this tax season. This could mean hundreds or thousands of dollars in tax refunds for transition age youth in care. With the support of trusted adults and free tax preparation services, these refunds can help young adults cover necessary expenses.

HERE ARE THE THINGS YOU CAN DO THIS UPCOMING TAX SEASON



1. JOIN THE CALEITC WEBINAR ON JAN 30

JBAY and the California Franchise Tax Board will host a webinar to discuss recent changes to the CalEITC and strategies to support transition age youth (TAY) in filing taxes and claiming the credit. [REGISTER HERE](#).



2. TAKE THE PLEDGE

Join the movement to spread awareness about the CalEITC with youth in care and support them in filing their taxes. By **taking the pledge**, you'll have access to resources and tools to help you with this effort.



3. DISTRIBUTE AND POST TAX MATERIALS

Share JBAY's CalEITC publication and one pager for youth, or visit the California's Franchise Tax Board and CalEITCforMe websites for resources and materials to raise awareness about available tax credits



4. TALK WITH YOUTH AND CONNECT THEM TO FREE TAX PREP SERVICES

Get the conversation started, help young workers get their paperwork together, inform them and get them connected to **free tax preparation services**.



5. PLAN OR PROMOTE A TAX PREP EVENT

Work with local community partners to host or promote tax prep events so that youth in care can get connected to **CalEITC4me** and local VITA tax prep centers and resources to file taxes free of charge.