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## Media Advisory



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### **Haitian Neighborhood Center, Sant La is partnering with the IRS-sponsored VITA program to provide Free Tax Preparation**

The Haitian Neighborhood Center, Sant La is partnering with the IRS-sponsored VITA program to provide free tax preparation and e-filing starting January 26, 2009 until the end of tax season. Sant La will offer free tax help to low- to moderate-income individuals and families making \$43,000 and under who need assistance preparing their own tax returns. Certified staff and volunteers will be on hand to help prepare basic tax returns.

Qualifying tax filers should bring photo identification, all necessary social security cards (the primary taxpayer, spouse, dependents, etc.), birth dates for everyone reported on the return (the primary taxpayer, spouse, dependents), tax forms received in the mail (W-2s, 1099s, etc.), copy of last years tax returns, information regarding other income, information regarding deductions and credits, amounts paid for day care plus the day care's identifying number (SSN for an individual or EIN for a business), and bank routing numbers and account numbers if choosing direct deposit option for a refund.

The above information will allow trained staff and volunteers to determine a taxpayer's eligibility for certain deductions or credits, such as the Earned Income Tax Credit and the Child and Dependent Care Credit.

The Haitian Neighborhood Center is located at 5000 Biscayne Boulevard, Suite 110 in Miami, Florida and is open Monday through Friday 9am to 6pm. For more information call 305-573-4871.

We invite you to join us on Friday, January 30, 2009 from 10:30am to 12:00pm for EITC Awareness Day. You will have an opportunity to speak to tax payers who are eligible for a number of these credits.

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