Accounting Aid Society Site Coordinator Update – March 1, 2025

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Publication 4012-A, Volunteer Resource Guide with Updates

Publication 4012-A, Volunteer Resource Guide with Updates, has posted to irs.gov and we included a link to the publication on our Resources page under Tax Preparer Tools/Federal/IRS Publications. Pub 4012-A includes the updates that were listed in Pub 4491-X. Please advise all staff and volunteers to use the updated guide; Pub 4012 should no longer be used as a reference.

Publication 4491-X, Training Supplement

Reminder – Staff and volunteers should continue to use Pub 4491-X when referencing Pub 4491 to see if there have been any updates to a page being looked at in the 4491.

Millage Rates

<u>Reminder:</u> Our guidance is that the summer and winter property tax bills should be used to determine taxes levied for the year. However, using millage rates can be an alternate method for determining property taxes levied in certain situations. The homeowner must provide proof of the taxable value and the percentage of Principal Residence Exemption (PRE).

If using millage rates to calculate taxes levied for the Michigan Homestead Property Tax Credit Claim, remember to include the 1% administrative fee in the calculation (lower percentage if the municipality charges less than a 1% admin fee).

Example: Detroit homeowner with 100% PRE: Taxable Value x .0672737 x 1.01 = Taxes Levied

We have updated our SSB/SSI Chart on the Resources page to include this information and have attached it to this update. Please ensure that all staff and volunteers are aware of how to calculate taxes levied using millage rates. Other examples can be found on the Detroit Property Tax Info & Millage Rates document located on our Resources page. The example calculations for various PRE percentages can be applied to any municipality.

TaxSlayer – Issues Fixed

ALTERNATE CREDIT on HOME HEATING CREDIT CLAIM

TaxSlayer has fixed the issue that was described in the update for February 22, 2025. Any Michigan returns that were being held can now be e-filed.

STATE VALIDATION ERRORS

TaxSlayer has fixed all of the State Validation Errors that we had identified in previous updates. Returns with a Return Tag of "MI Sch 1 Line 28" and "Detroit Part-Year Resident) can now be e-filed, if not done so already.