

Checklist of Items to Bring to Tax Appointment

The checklist below includes items you may need to bring when you visit an AARP Foundation Tax-Aide site so that we can help you prepare your tax return(s). You likely will not have many of the forms listed below; this listing is intended to be a tickler list. Nor is this an all-inclusive list; there may be other documents particular to your personal situation that you should bring. If in doubt, bring it!

Please bring all documents in PRINTED hardcopy form! We CANNOT prepare your tax returns using digital documents on your phone or other electronic device.

General Items – Photo IDs and Social Security Number documentation are **REQUIRED** before we can begin preparing your tax returns

- ☐ **REQUIRED** -- Government-issued **Photo ID for each taxpayer.**
- ☐ **REQUIRED** -- **Social Security Number** and/or **ITN** notices/cards or other official documentation that show the taxpayer identification number **for every individual on your tax return.**
- ☐ Checking or savings account number and routing number documentation (bank statement or your checkbook) if you want to direct deposit any refund(s) or direct debit any amounts due. Please note – bank deposit slips are NOT satisfactory.
- ☐ If applicable, IRS issued Identity Protection PIN (IP PIN) for each individual for the current year. Previous year IP PINs are not acceptable.
- ☐ Any correspondence from the IRS or MN Dept of Revenue.
- ☐ Prior Year Tax Return(s) are always helpful ☐ TY2023 ☐ TY2022 ☐ TY2021

Health Insurance

- ☐ 1095-A Health Insurance Marketplace Statement

Income

- ☐ W-2 Wages from each employer
- ☐ SSA-1099 Social Security
- ☐ RRB-1099 Railroad Retirement
- ☐ 1099-R Pension, Annuity, or IRA Distribution
- ☐ 1099-INT Interest
- ☐ 1099-DIV Dividends
- ☐ 1099-B Brokerage plus documentation showing the original purchase prices if you sold stocks or other assets
- ☐ 1099-C, 1099-A Cancel Debt
- ☐ 1099-G Unemployment
- ☐ 1099-G State Tax Refund
- ☐ 1099-NEC
- ☐ 1099-MISC
- ☐ 1099-K Payment Card and Third Party Network Transactions
- ☐ W-2G Gambling (and documentation of Gambling Losses)
- ☐ Schedule K-1 Form 1041 / Form 1065 / Form 1120-S
- ☐ Documentation of Alimony Received and year of final decree: _____
- ☐ Information about any other income of any form including cash or other than cash

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Self-Employment Income and Expenses

- ☐ If you are self-employed (i.e., Uber, Lyft, DoorDash, Handyman, etc.), we may be able to help prepare your taxes. Please download, print, and fill-in this worksheet:

[Worksheet – Schedule C Self-Employment](#)

Payments

- ☐ Documentation of Estimated Tax Payments for Federal and/or State taxes
- ☐ Documentation of Alimony Paid including year of final decree: _____

Deductions – Most taxpayers use the Standard Deduction rather than itemizing their deductions.

If you typically only utilize the Standard Deduction method, you may want to bring Charitable Donation documents (cash and/or non-cash) if your donations exceeded \$500. You do not need to bring any of the other deduction documentation.

- ☐ Cash Charity Donation documentation
- ☐ Non-Cash Charity documentation (bring detailed records if over \$500)
- ☐ If you have (or think you will have) a substantial number of eligible deductions, you may want to itemize your deductions. If so, please download, print, and fill-in this worksheet:

[Worksheet – Schedule A Itemized Deductions](#)

Credits/Adjustments

- ☐ Child or Dependent Care Expense documentation: including name, address, telephone number and employer ID of Social Security number and amount paid to provider
- ☐ 1098-T Tuition Statement **plus** statement of account from the educational institution showing tuition and fees actually paid and scholarships, grants, etc. received. Also bring a summary of any other educational expenses. Please download, print, and fill-in this worksheet: [Worksheet – Education Credits](#)
- ☐ 1098-E Student Loan Interest
- ☐ 1099-SA and F5498-SA for Health Saving Account distributions and contributions
- ☐ IRA / HSA Contribution documentation for out-of-pocket contributions
- ☐ School Expenses for dependents in grades K-12 documentation. Please download, print, and fill-in this worksheet: [Worksheet – K-12 Education Expenses](#)
- ☐ Educator Expenses (for teachers) documentation
- ☐ Qualified Long-term Care Insurance policy premium payment documentation

Rent Credit or Property Tax Credit

- ☐ Financial Assistance such as: SSI, MFIP, MSA, GA, EA, GRH, DWP documentation
- ☐ Renter CRP for location you lived at
- ☐ Homeowner Property Tax Statement for 2025
- ☐ For Homeowners with non-dependent person(s) living in home, please download, print, and fill-in this worksheet: [Worksheet – Co-Occupant Income](#)

NOTE: The worksheets can be downloaded from

<https://mn1.taxaide.aarpfoundation.org/taxpayer-information/#WhatWeNeedFromYou>