

Relatives as Parents Newsletter

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Earned Income Tax Credit for 2010 (EITC)

The American Recovery and Investment Act provided a temporary increase in the earned income tax credit.

All workers claiming EITC must:

- * Have a valid Social Security number
- * Not file as married filing separate
- * Not file Form 2555 or 2555-E (related to Foreign Earned income)
- * Have earned income (Must have worked & earned at least \$3,100 for the year)
- * Not be a qualifying child of another person
- * Be a U.S. citizen or resident alien for the entire year

A Qualifying child must pass the following tests:

* Relationship

1. A son or daughter
2. A stepchild
3. Foster child placed by an authorized placement agency or court
4. Brother, sister, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, half sister or a descendent of any of them.
5. Grandchild

* Age at the end of the filing year, the child was:

1. Younger than the worker
2. Younger than 19 or
3. Younger than 24 and a full time student
4. Any age if permanently and totally disabled

* Residency

1. Child must live with the claimant in the United States for more than half of the year.

Tax Year 2010 Income Limits

Earned income and adjusted gross income must be each less than:

- * \$43,362 (\$48,362 married filing jointly) with 3 or more qualifying children
- * \$40,363 (\$45,373 married filing jointly) with 2 qualifying children
- * \$35,535 (\$40,545 married filing jointly) with 1 qualifying child
- * \$13,460 (\$18,470 married filing jointly) with no qualifying children

Tax Year 2010 maximum credit:

- * \$5,666 with 3 or more qualifying children
- * \$5,036 with 2 qualifying children
- * \$3,050 with one qualifying child
- * \$457 with no qualifying children

For more information go to www.eitc.irs.gov

R.A.P. Meeting

The 2nd
Thursday,
February 10th at
the

Jewett House

1501 E Lakeshore Dr.
Coeur d'Alene, ID
A light lunch will be
served at no cost.

Child care available
on the premises at
no cost.

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769-7096 Home
964-0667 Cell

Margo Peebles
667-0320



Mission is to:

“Build healthy families by promoting broad-based community collaboration and coordination to combine resources to reduce substance abuse, increase literacy, and to reduce the duplication of services.”

**Kootenai County Kin-Care Committee c/o KACF
610 W. Hubbard, Ste.123
Coeur d’Alene, ID 83814**

Mission of Kootenai County Kin-Care Committee is to:
Advance Community Support for a Safe and Nurturing Environment for Children Raised by Relatives.



The RAP/GAP Mascot is the turtle. The turtle, like us and our children, has a hard shell to protect it from getting hurt, but the inside is soft, vulnerable and loveable. We must learn to stick our heads out of our shell and take a chance.

FREE TAX HELP

Deadline April 18, 2011

A volunteer program sponsored by: AARP, IRS, the Idaho State Tax Commission & other community organizations.

This program is designed to help most elderly, low-income and disabled taxpayers with preparations of their tax returns.

What To Bring

- * Valid picture ID
- * Social Security Card(s)
- * Bank Account Information for direct deposit
- * Form W-2 from employer(s)
- * Forms 1099-INT or 1099-DIV to report interest & dividends
- * SSA-1099 or RRB-1099 to report social security and railroad retirement
- * 1099-R to report pension income
- * List medical, taxes, interest, contributions and miscellaneous expenses (to itemize taxes)
- * Copy of last year's tax return
- * Child and disabled dependent care information
- * For Circuit Breaker, income information and amount of medical expenses.

Property Taxes & New Car Purchase

Be sure to bring amount of real estate taxes you paid, even if you can't itemize. In addition if you bought a new car after February 17, 2009.

Tax Help Sites

Athol

Athol Community Center
30355 3rd Street
Feb 1 - April 12
App't phone 208-683-2407
Mondays 9 am - 2 pm

Blanchard

Blanchard Library
412 Railroad Avenue
Feb 1 - April 15
Walk-In
Feb 14, March 14 and April 11
11 am - 1 pm

Bonnars Ferry

Bonnars Ferry Senior Center
6635 Lincoln Street
Feb 1 - April 15
Walk -in

Tuesdays 9 am -2 pm

Coeur d'Alene

Lake City Senior Center
1916 N Lakewood Drive
App't Only 208-667-4628
Monday & Wednesday 9 am - 3 pm
Fridays 9 am - 12 pm

Lutheran Church of the Master

4800 N Ramsey Road
Feb 5 - April 10
Walk-in Fridays & Saturdays
10 am - 3 pm

Silver Lake Mall

200 W Hanley Avenue
Feb 1 - April 15
Walk-ins Mon - Sat 9 am - 4 pm
Tuesday & Thursday 5 - 8 pm

Plummer

Plummer Idaho VITA
A and 8th Street
Walk-in Feb 13 & March 27 ONLY
12 pm - 4 pm

Post Falls

Post Falls Senior Center
1205 E 3rd Street
Feb 2 - April 13 Tues & Thurs 10 am - 3 pm
App't Only 208-773-9582

Rathdrum

Rathdrum Senior Center
805 Montana Street
Feb 2 - April 13 10 am - 4 pm
App't Only 208-687-2028

St. Maries

St. Maries VITA
Community Action Partnership
416 Main Street
Walk-in Sat Feb 27 & April 3 Only 12 - 4 pm

Sandpoint

Sandpoint Senior Center
820 W Main Street
Mon & Wed 9 am - 2 pm
App't Only 509-292-8628
More Tax Info 1-888-AARNOW Mon - Fri

Habitat for Humanity of North Idaho

Do You Want To Own A Home...and
 * **NEED** safe, decent, affordable housing in Kootenai County
 * **WILLING TO PARTNER** by contributing a minimum of 250 hours per adult of time and effort
 * **ABLE TO PAY** approximately \$400/month for non-interest bearing mortgage

Income Guidelines

# of persons	Yearly Lower Limit	Monthly Lower Limit	Yearly Upper Limit	Monthly Upper
1	\$12,000	\$1000	\$19,950	\$1,663
2	\$13,700	\$1,142	\$22,800	\$1,900
3	\$15,400	\$1,283	\$25,650	\$2,138
4	\$17,100	\$1,425	\$28,500	\$2,375
5	\$18,500	\$1,542	\$30,800	\$2,567
6	\$19,850	\$1,654	\$33,100	\$2,758
7	\$21,250	\$1,771	\$35,350	\$2,946
8	\$22,600	\$1,883	\$37,650	\$3,138

Application process is open (208-762-4663)

Tuesday through Friday 9 am to 5 pm (Do not leave a message on the answering machine, but call back and talk to the Office Manager)



The power to make it better.

Grandparents

Raising

Grandchildren

www.aarp.org

Idaho KINCARE Coalition Mission:
 "To promote social and legislative change through education and advocacy and to provide the social supports needed by grandparents and other relatives raising the children in their care"

Valentine Candy Wrapper to put on a Candy Bar



KINCARE Coalition Leadership Committee's Work Plan: Support the development of community partnerships that will develop strong relationships with kinship families and work in partnership to improve, expand and sustain programs and services to kinship families.

Are You A Grandparents, Aunt, Uncle, Cousin or Sibling Raising a Relative Child?

Join our RAP Group if you need a listening ear or some new ideas. Meet us at the Jewett House



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The **RAP Support Group** meets the second Thursday of the month at:
Jewett House
1501 E. Lakeshore Drive
Coeur d'Alene, ID
Noon - 2 o'clock

RAP provides information & support to kinship care givers through sharing information and guest speakers. We stay aware of the laws and proposed legislation that impacts kin care givers & children. Contact:
Glenda Weaver 208-769-7096

RAP Mission is to:
Make the world a better place for those children whose parents are unable or unwilling to assume the legal & moral responsibilities of parenthood.

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Drug Trends

Not For Human Consumption

Drug Trends

Lunch and Learn Training
 11:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
 Friday, February 18, 2011
 St. Pius Catholic Church Great Room
 625 E. Haycraft Ave., Coeur d'Alene, ID



Presented by:

Officer Neil Uhrig

Post Falls Police Officer
 Post Falls High School Resource Officer
 Juvenile Crimes Detective
 Inland Northwest School Resource Officers Association President
 Board of Directors of Kootenai County Substance Abuse Council

STAND Youth Representatives

Support Teens Against Nicotine Dependency -
 a program of the American Lung Association of ID



Registration Form

Please complete and return by **February 16, 2011** to:

Kootenai Alliance for Children and Families
 610 W. Hubbard, Ste. 123, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814
 Fax 208-765-2970 - Phone: 208-676-8293
 or e-mail: Kelly@kootenaialliance.org

Name: _____
 Organization: _____
 Address: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____

Please make checks payable to KACF.

Please check one of the following:

- I plan to attend the training and have lunch. I have already paid my 2010, KACF Membership fees. Cost: **FREE**
- I plan to attend the training, but will not be having lunch. Cost: **FREE**
- I plan to attend the training and have lunch but am not a current KACF Member. Cost: **\$5.00**
- I plan to attend the training and would like to become a member of KACF. The yearly membership dues are \$15.00, and lunch will be provided at no charge. Cost: **\$15.00**

****Lunch catered by Qdoba****

