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Georgia Federal Credit Union Partners with Dalton State to offer Volunteer Income Tax Assistance



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Dalton, GA – Georgia Federal Credit Union (GFCU) is partnering with the Internal Revenue Service and the College of Family and Consumer Sciences of the University of Georgia and Dalton State College to provide the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program.

The VITA program extends FREE tax return assistance to individuals and families with low to moderate income. The program has been offered for several years through UGA and GFCU's Athens locations but this is the first year this program will be offered in Dalton in partnership with Dalton State College. VITA appointments are available on Friday nights, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and Saturdays, from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., February 6 to March 13 at GFCU's Dalton branch at 605 Calhoun Street. A limited number of appointments are available and appointments may be made by contacting GFCU Branch Manager John Bailey at 888-493-4328, extension 3901

GFCU Board Member and VITA Volunteer Tom Cochran of Athens shared the following information, "Last year, our efforts assisted 424 individuals and families with their tax returns. Of those, 401 returns were filed electronically with federal refunds totaling more than \$513,000 and the remaining tax payers were provided paper returns. We also prepared and provided the taxpayers with their Georgia income tax return of which 376 were filed electronically with state refunds totaling \$61,900! We look forward to having similar results in Dalton with the addition of our Dalton State College partnership this year."

About Georgia Federal Credit Union

Georgia Federal Credit Union is ranked as one of the top credit unions in Georgia with over \$580 million in assets and thirteen branch locations. Their mission is to provide value-priced financial services to their members. Georgia Federal Credit Union is federally insured by the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund (NCUSIF).

GFCU serves employees and family members of over 450 select employee companies and school systems, including the majority of employers in Dalton, GA.

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