

TALKING ABOUT TAXES...
¡EN ESPAÑOL!

LVAIC Spanish Service-Learning Initiative &
AARP's Tax-Aide program

Welcome!



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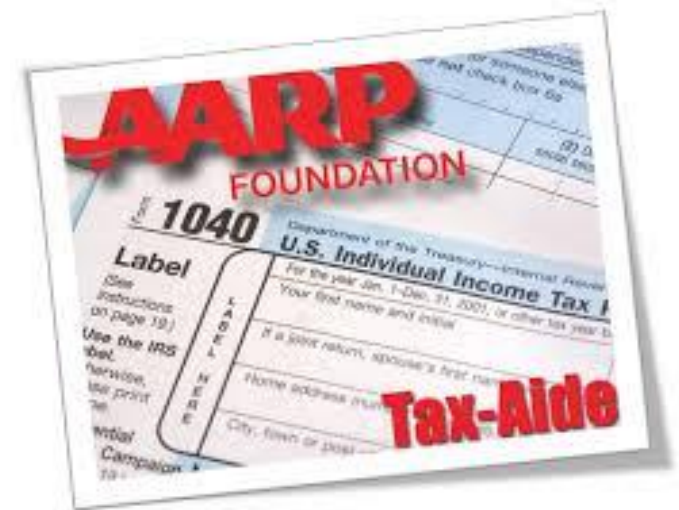
Tonight's training



- Tax basics
- Ethical issues
- Interpreting techniques

Tax basics

- Most IRS forms are in English... but they have a detailed guide to completing them in Spanish



Ethical issues



- Confidentiality
- Reliability
- Fraud

Immigrants are often victims of fraud



- Unscrupulous notarios often push tax filers to commit fraud
- Learn more about common tax frauds: the IRS's Dirty Dozen

Interpreting basics



You are there to facilitate a conversation between an English-speaking tax volunteer and a Spanish-speaking tax payer.

You are urgently needed!

Do not add to, subtract from, or otherwise edit what you are interpreting!

Be prepared... and know your limits.

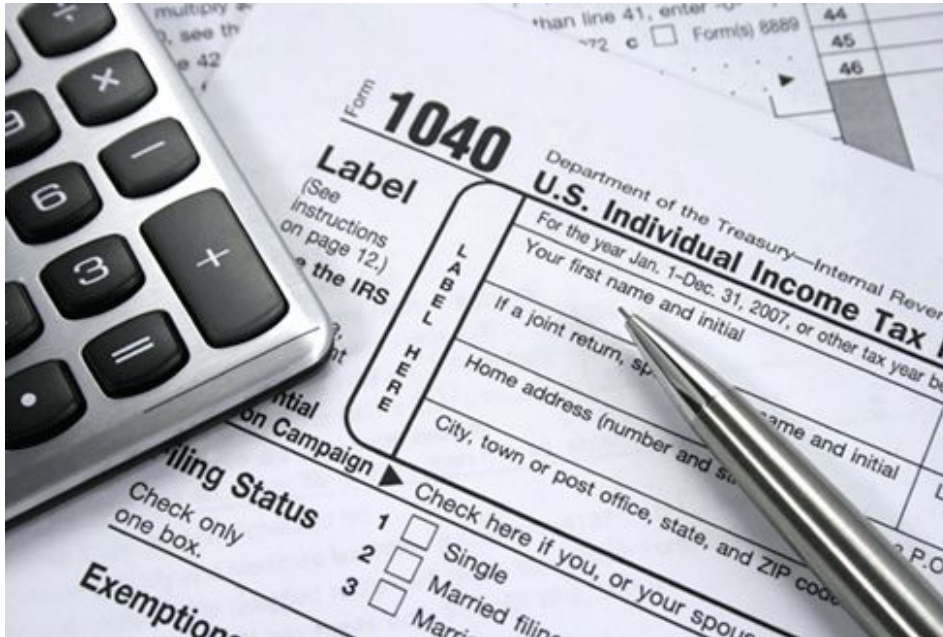
Next steps



The screenshot shows the IRS website in Spanish. The browser address bar displays "https://www.irs.gov/Spanish". The IRS logo is visible in the top left corner. A navigation menu includes "Filing", "Payments", "Refunds", "Credits & Deductions", "News & Events", "Forms & Pubs", "Help & Resources", and "for Tax Pros". A search bar is located in the top right. The main content area features a large "Español" banner. On the left, a sidebar lists "Presentación de Impuestos", "Haga un Pago", "¿Dónde está mi reembolso?", "Créditos y Deducciones", "Formularios y Publicaciones", "Noticias en Español", and "IRS en Español". The main content area is titled "Español" and includes a search bar. Below this, there are two main sections: "Individuos" and "Medios Sociales". The "Individuos" section has a sub-section "Presente Su Declaración de Impuestos" with links for "Presente su declaración de impuestos" and "Solicite un Número de Identificación Personal del Contribuyente (ITIN)". The "Pagos y Reembolsos" section has links for "¿No puede pagar por completo? Le ofrecemos una opción" and "Infórmese sobre el estado de su reembolso". The "Medios Sociales" section features a video player with the title "¿Cuándo Recibiré Mi Reembolso?" and social media icons for YouTube, Twitter, Facebook, and the IRS logo.

The IRS site has abundant resources in Spanish

Start studying! ¡A estudiar, se ha dicho!



- The IRS has prepared an extensive Spanish-English glossary of tax terms
- Stay in touch with your Spanish and/or accounting professors

DeSales professor Dr. Christopher R. Cocozza is running the VITA tax assistance program there

Many thanks!

