

TAX TOPICS

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UPCOMING TAX FILING DUE DATES

Reminder: The deadline to file and pay your Connecticut income tax is April 15, 2026.

Be sure to check out the [DRS 2026 Tax Filing Due Dates Calendar](#) to view important dates and plan

accordingly. Whether you're an individual filer, business owner, or self-employed, staying informed helps you remain compliant with Connecticut tax laws. For inquiries or assistance, please use the contact details provided below.



HIGHLIGHTING THE VITA PROGRAM

In March, DRS joined Lieutenant Governor Susan Bysiewicz at several press events to celebrate VITA volunteers. DRS Deputy Commissioner John Biello is shown here at Eastern Connecticut State University!

HOW TO GET ASSISTANCE:

Business Address:
450 Columbus Blvd., Ste 1
Hartford, CT 06103

Business Hours:
Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Phone:
860-297-5962
860-297-4911 (TTY, TDD, and Text
Telephone users only)

Email: DRS@ct.gov
Website: portal.ct.gov/DRS

DRS eAssistant:
Available 24/7 on [myconnect](#)
Provides real-time responses

In-Person Assistance:
Hartford Walk-In Office
450 Columbus Blvd.
8:30 a.m.–3:45 p.m.

HELPFUL TIPS FOR THE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX FILING SEASON

If you do not have all the information to file your Connecticut income tax return by April 15:

Complete **Form CT-1040 EXT**, *Application for Extension of Time to File Connecticut Income Tax Return for Individuals*, to request a six-month extension of time to file. (This does not grant you an extension of time to pay.)

If you do not have enough money to pay your Connecticut income tax by April 15:

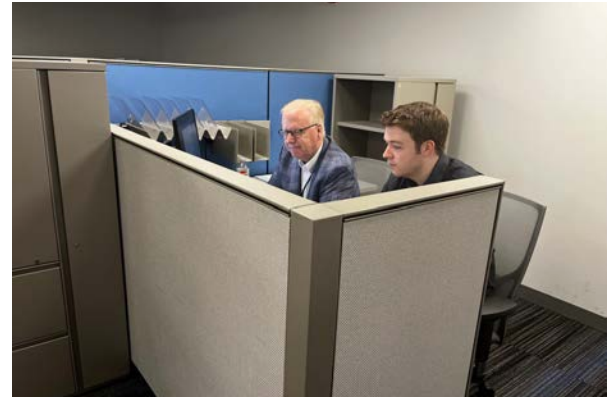
Make sure to file your return on time and pay as much as possible. DRS understands that there are times when taxpayers experience temporary, legitimate financial difficulties and require extra time to pay a tax debt. To determine if you qualify for a payment plan, see the **[Installment Agreement Request](#)**.

There are two main options to make an individual income tax payment:

- Option one:
 - Pay electronically through **myconneCT**.
 - Pay by ACH Debit/Direct Payment: Using this option authorizes DRS to electronically withdraw a payment from your bank account (checking or savings) on a date you select up to the due date.
 - Pay by Credit Card or Debit Card: You may elect to pay your tax liability using a credit card (American Express®, Discover®, Master Card®, Visa®) or a comparable debit card. A convenience fee will be charged by the credit card service provider. You will be informed of the amount of the fee and may elect to cancel the transaction. Your payment will be effective on the date that you make the charge.
- Option two:
 - Pay by check - see the mailing addresses below:
 - **[Mailing Addresses for Form CT-1040](#)**
 - **[Mailing Addresses for Form CT-1040NR/PY](#)**

If eligible, you can check the status of your tax refund. Click on the *Where's my Refund?* hyperlink in the individual panel of the **myconneCT** home page and follow the prompts.

For more information, visit the **[Information for Individuals](#)** page on the DRS website.



DRS Commissioner Mark Boughton took a turn on the phone lines to assist taxpayers with questions during the filing season! Our team is available year-round at 860-297-5962.



Commissioner Boughton joined The Connecticut Project canvassers to knock on doors in New Britain to let people know to file their taxes and claim their EITC!

SPOTLIGHT: EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT

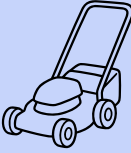
You worked for it, you earned it, now don't forget to claim it!

The CT EITC is a refundable state income tax credit for low to moderate income working individuals and families. The state credit mirrors the federal EITC and is now 40% of the federal credit. CT's EITC is one of the highest rates in the country, and last year, the Connecticut General Assembly voted to add a \$250 credit for families with at least one qualifying child. When both the federal and CT EITC amounts exceed the amount of taxes owed, it results in a tax refund to those who claim and qualify for the credit.

To qualify for the CT EITC, you must be eligible for the federal EITC, be a Connecticut resident, have earned income from employment, self-employment or another source, and meet certain rules. For more information, visit the **[CT Earned Income Tax Credit page](#)** on the DRS website.



SEASONAL TAX TOPICS



Spring is in the air! Take a look at the spring chores that are taxable (or not):

Repair or Maintenance Service to Any Item of Tangible

Personal Property:

Bike Repair / Tune-Ups

Get ready to hit the trails and bike paths! Repair and maintenance services for bicycles are subject to sales and use taxes.

Landscaping Equipment / Maintenance Repair

Prepare your landscaping equipment before peak season begins. Maintenance and repair services for lawn mowers, trimmers, and blowers are subject to sales and use taxes.

Window Cleaning

Let the sunshine in this season! Window cleaning services, including interior and exterior glass cleaning, are subject to sales and use taxes.

Landscaping and Horticulture Services:

Irrigation System Startup / Repair

Watering your grass may mean repairing your irrigation or sprinkler system. Irrigation system startup/repair services are subject to sales and use taxes.

Lawn Care Treatment

Time to get your lawns fertilized and your plants ready for spring! Lawn care treatment is subject to sales and use taxes.

Repair or Maintenance Service to Real Property:

Carpet Cleaning

Carpet cleaning is one less thing to sneeze about! Cleaning your carpet clears the air, and this service, performed at a customer's residence, is subject to sales and use taxes.

HVAC Inspection and Tune-Ups

Schedule seasonal HVAC inspections to help avoid unexpected breakdowns. In general, HVAC system maintenance and repair services are subject to sales and use taxes.

Power Washing

Time to wash away all the winter snow! Maintenance and cleaning services, including power washing, are subject to sales and use taxes.

Roofing Repair / Replacement

A tough New England winter can take a toll on your roof. Now is a perfect time to schedule a post-winter inspection with a local roofer. Roof repairs or replacement for parts of a roof or for an entire roof, if performed on owner-occupied property, is not subject to sales and use taxes.



EDUCATION & OUTREACH NEWS

The Education and Outreach (E&O) Unit's efforts have played an important role this filing season, with webinars and an increase in our in-person community engagement, including presentations at multiple senior centers, visits to libraries, and other tax-related events. To date, DRS has visited 16 locations, reaching more than 500 attendees and creating more opportunities for personalized support. Below is a list of recent and upcoming engagements. We encourage you to check out our regularly updated [DRS Tax Events Calendar](#) for the latest opportunities to meet with us!

Can't join us in person? No problem! DRS offers a wide range of pre-recorded webinars and educational materials covering topics such as the individual income tax, business taxes, and more. These materials are accessible on the [Taxpayer Education Center](#) page.

For further information or questions, reach out to the DRS Education and Outreach Unit:
DRS.EducationandOutreach@ct.gov.

Date	Time	Engagements
February 4	10:00 AM	Danbury Senior Center, 10 Elmwood Pl, Danbury, CT
February 19	11:00 AM	Bridgewater Senior Center, 132 Hut Hill Rd, Bridgewater, CT
February 26	11:00 AM	Oxford Senior Center, 10 Old Church Rd, Oxford, CT
March 6	11:00 AM	Prosser Library, 1 Tunxis Ave, Bloomfield, CT
March 12	4:00 PM	Oxford Library, 49 Great Oak Rd, Oxford, CT
March 13	12:00 PM	Guilford Senior Center, 32 Church St, Guilford, CT
March 16	12:00 PM	Bethel Senior Center, 1 School St, Bethel, CT
March 18	11:00 AM	Waterbury Senior Center, 1985 E. Main St, Waterbury, CT
March 30	1:00 PM	McMahon Wintonbury Library, 1015 Blue Hills Ave, Bloomfield, CT
June 29	1:30 PM	Brookfield Senior Center Event, 100 Pocono Rd, Brookfield, CT

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