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Ridgewood Savings Bank partners with Community Tax Aid and IMPACCT Brooklyn to bring Free Tax Preparation Services to eligible residents

Ridgewood Savings Bank is sponsoring a program to provide eligible Brooklyn residents free tax preparation assistance this tax season with services provided in partnership with Community Tax Aid and IMPACCT Brooklyn.

This free event will take place in the Community Room located on the first floor at 226 Lefferts Place, Brooklyn on Saturday, March 24th from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm, near Ridgewood's Fulton Avenue Branch. Residents are eligible for tax preparation assistance if they either (i) are single with no dependents and earn less than \$25,000, or (ii) file with dependents and earn less than \$55,000. Tax returns will be completed and submitted to the IRS free of charge for these qualified residents by Community Tax Aid.

Eligible residents are required to bring the following tax documents to participate:

- Health insurance information for yourself and your dependents: Forms 1095-A, 1095-B or 1095-C if available, and your insurance cards.
- Social Security cards (or Individual Taxpayer Identification Numbers), photo identification for yourself and anybody you support, and a State-issued identification and/or Driver's License.
- A copy of either last year's tax return or the last tax return you filed.
- All W-2 forms and/or 1099 forms, self-employment records and any other income information including Social Security and Supplemental Security Income for you and your dependents.
- Forms or notices received from the Internal Revenue Service or the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance.
- Bank account and routing numbers for direct deposit of any refund that may be due.

"This is a service that we feel is very important to the members of the Brooklyn community. With the new tax laws, people will have questions that Community Tax Aid can answer," said Domenico Ciaccio, AVP, Community Relations officer at Ridgewood Savings Bank.

"When we opened the doors to our Clinton Hill branch last year, the community welcomed us and an initiative such as this is a great way to give back to the community. It's all part of our dedication to multiply the good in the neighborhoods we serve. We are thrilled to partner with organizations committed to helping their communities thrive," stated Chairman, President and CEO of Ridgewood Savings Bank, Leonard Stekol.

About Ridgewood Savings Bank

Ridgewood Savings Bank is the largest mutual savings bank in New York State. With over \$5.3 billion in assets, Ridgewood operates 35 branches across New York City's five boroughs, Long Island and Westchester and a mobile branch that serves 23 assisted living facilities. With a community-focused approach to banking, Ridgewood plans to open new branches and increase services in the years to come. The continued growth and success of Ridgewood Savings Bank speaks to the power of what can happen when you multiply the good.

About Community Tax Aid

Community Tax Aid, Inc. (CTA) is an all-volunteer, not-for-profit which has been preparing tax returns FREE for low-income taxpayers since 1969. CTA is dedicated to providing all services (federal, state, and city personal income tax forms) with the special needs of and benefits for low income taxpayers in mind.

About IMPACCT Brooklyn

IMPACCT Brooklyn, also known as the Pratt Area Community Council, is a community development corporation committed to helping residents build and sustain flourishing communities in Brooklyn. Its core strategy focuses on affordable housing, economic development and community organizing to build and foster strong communities.

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