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Marching Towards Tax Success: Insights from Our Team

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Explore the captivating link between taxes and job opportunities in our newsletter. Get expert tips on tax planning, deductions, and leveraging incentives to stand out in the job market.

Resources for you

Discover MoneySmart: Mastering Your Taxes



Looking to enhance your financial literacy and take control of your taxes? Dive into our self-directed learning module, MoneySmart: Filing Your Taxes! This resource is designed to empower you with the knowledge and skills needed to navigate the tax-filing process with confidence.

From understanding tax deductions to maximizing refunds, this module covers

Tax credits for Caregivers are a thing!



As a caregiver for Foster, Kinship, Adoptive, Legal Guardian, or Bio children, you're working hard to raise your children, especially if they are young. The good news is that families can still claim the 2021 expanded Child Tax Credit until April 15, 2025. Every penny counts!

The Child Tax Credit can provide up to \$2,000 per child, which can help offset the costs of daycare, diapers, food, and other essentials your

everything you need to know to become money-smart when it comes to taxes. Take the first step towards financial independence and start mastering your tax filings today with MoneySmart!

Start the MoneySmart Way

Find a Youth Source Center near you!



The Youth Source Centers are valuable resources that offer exceptional employment development opportunities for young individuals. These centers provide various opportunities, such as paid and unpaid work experiences, including summer and year-round employment options. They also offer pre-apprenticeship programs, internships, job shadowing, on-the-job training, occupational skill training, leadership development opportunities, and numerous other resources.

This program is specifically designed for youth aged 14-24. It aims to empower and support young individuals in their educational and career success journey.

Learn More

children need. Additionally, the Young Child Tax Credit offers an extra \$1,117 in 2023, specifically for parents with a child under 6 years old.

If you are looking for FREE face-to-face help with your taxes, [find a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance \(VITA\) program near you.](#)

Find out if you're eligible today!

Boost Your Job Security

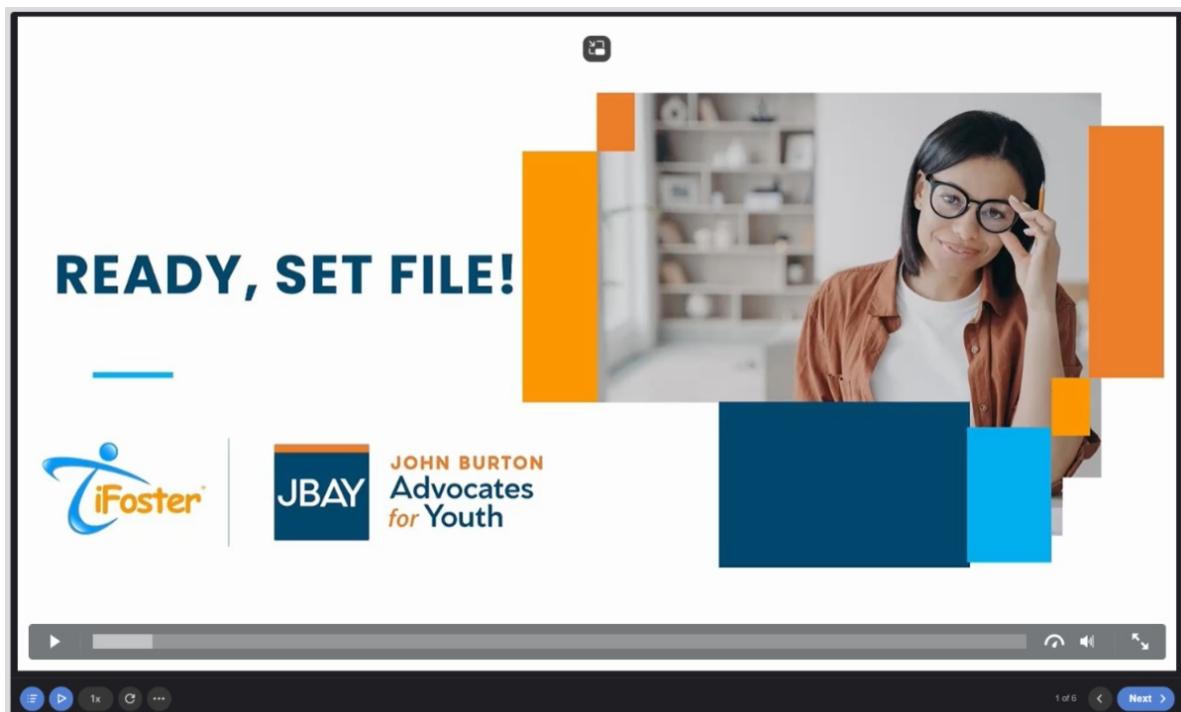


Enhance your job security with iFoster's self-directed training program focused on essential job skills.

Learn at your own pace, covering topics like communication, problem-solving, time management, and teamwork. Enroll today to invest in your professional growth and unlock endless job opportunities.

Click Here to Get Started Now

Get Tax Savvy with iFoster: File Like a Pro, Keep the Dough!!



Tax season can be daunting, especially if you're a youth navigating the maze of forms and deductions for the first time. But fear not, because iFoster, in partnership with John Burton Advocates for Youth, has your back with our new self-directed tax tool!

Say goodbye to expensive tax services and say hello to TaxSlayer, our partner helping you file your taxes for

FREE. Every dollar counts, so we've designed this tool to maximize your return and ensure you keep more hard-earned cash.

What sets our tax tool apart? It's not just a one-size-fits-all approach. Along with John Burton Advocates for Youth, we have tailored various scenarios to your unique circumstances, helping you find the best strategies to optimize your return.

So don't wait to file this year GET READY SET AND FILE—like a pro, and let us help you keep the dough where it belongs – in your pocket!

Happy filing, and remember, we've got your back every step of the way!

Start your Tax Journey with Us

Did You Know?

Opportunities Await with Kollab Youth!

Join Kollab Youth, a transformative program empowering low-income youth. Gain essential skills, explore diverse career industries, and receive mentorship from industry leaders. Plus, earn scholarships, prizes, and enjoy fun field trips. Enroll now for the spring session starting May 5th! Ages 14-19. [Learn more and apply here.](#)



Kollab Youth
MORE THAN A PROGRAM. IT'S A JOURNEY OF OPPORTUNITIES

Spring Session 2024

MAY 5 TO JUNE 15

REGISTER BY: MONDAY, APRIL 29

Free online Workforce Development Program for youth ages 14 -19

- Career Exploration
- Field Trips
- Internships/Apprenticeships
- Mentorship
- Scholarships
- Skill Building
- Financial Literacy
- AND MUCH MORE!

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iFoster is looking for HOST sites in 2023



Calling all agencies and organizations! iFoster is seeking HOST sites for 2024. Are you looking to expand your capacity while providing a meaningful work experience for foster youth? If so, we invite you to apply to become a TAY AmeriCorps host site in one of our 6 states CA, KY, OH, NV, NY, and or WA! With over 200 TAY AmeriCorps Peer Navigators trained annually, we need host sites for these internships.

Our program has been recognized as the Best New AmeriCorps program, and we are proud to announce that we are in 6 states. If you are a program or agency serving foster youth and are interested in having interns assist in connecting your clients to resources, complete this interest form. This opportunity comes at no cost to you and can make a significant impact on the lives of foster youth. If you are interested in answering the call of service then [learn how you can become a host site](#) today!





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