



\* \* MEDIA ADVISORY\* \*

## **MOBILE TAX CENTER VAN ROLLS INTO PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY TO PROVIDE FREE TAX PREPARATION AND FILING SERVICES TO LOCAL CONSUMERS**

*Wal-Mart Foundation-Sponsored Van in Prince George's County*

**What:** The United Way of the National Capital Area (UWNCA) and One Economy– a non-profit organization that helps Americans enter the economic mainstream, have teamed up with the Wal-Mart Foundation – to bring free tax preparation and filing services to consumers in the Washington, D.C. area. The Wal-Mart Foundation sponsored a Mobile Tax Center Van, the first of its kind by a national retailer, to visit numerous communities offering benefits to local residents.

Eligible consumers visiting the Mobile Tax Center van – those making less than \$56,000 per year – **will have the opportunity to file their taxes free of charge and learn about their potential to qualify for Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).**

**Who:** Melvin McDermott, One Economy representative  
E.R. Anderson, Wal-Mart media director  
Lya Britt, United Way of the National Capital Area, Sr. Director Mkt/Comm

**When:** **Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> (4 p.m. – 8 p.m.) & Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> (2:30p.m. – 5:30p.m.)**

**Where:** **Jericho City of Praise**  
Jericho City and Bishop Peebles Dr.  
Landover, MD 20785

**When:** **Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup> & Saturday April 10<sup>th</sup> (11a.m. – 6p.m.)**

**Where:** **Prince George's Sports and Learning Complex**  
8001 Sherriff Road, Landover, MD 20785

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- o Capture footage of Mobile Tax Center van setting up to help tax filers
- o Film local community members filing their taxes free of charge at the Mobile Tax Center van
- o Interview local community van driver, Wal-Mart, United Way spokes people

**About the Wal-Mart Foundation Donation:** The Wal-Mart Foundation-funded Mobile Tax Center van is part of a \$3.6 million national donation to One Economy and United Way. The grant will launch the first-ever free mobile tax filing tour funded by a national retailer and fund more than 90 United Way-supported Volunteer Income Tax Assistance campaigns in cities nationwide. In total, the Wal-Mart Foundation's grant has the potential to return \$300 million\* in EITC refunds and \$45 million\*\* in tax preparation fees.

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