

One Minnesota Budget – Governor Tim Walz and Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan Make Minnesota the Best State in the Nation for Children and Families

> Department of Revenue Implementation **Commissioner Paul Marquart**



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Our Mission

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 Working together to fund the future for all of Minnesota

Our Vision

• Everyone reports, pays, and receives the right amount: no more, no less

Our Work

 Manages and enforces the collection and administration of \$33 billion in annual revenues. The DOR annual budget is about \$200 million



Tax Filing and Our Customers

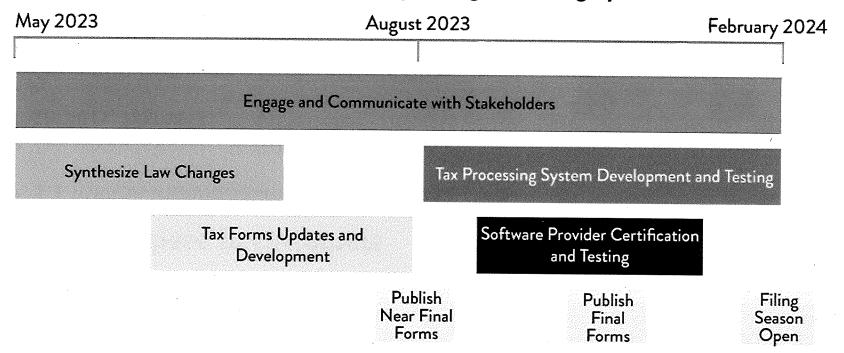
Our broad base of customers

- 3.1 million individual income tax filers
- Tax professionals, legislators, military, seniors, farmers
- Over 800,000 property tax refund filers
- 87 counties and 800 licensed property tax assessors
- 500,000 businesses file and pay
 - 160,000 businesses remit sales tax



Tax Filing Implementation

Tentative Process for Updating Tax Filing Systems



Department of Revenue 2023 Tax Bill Overview

- 300+ tax forms and instructions updated for the 2024 filing season
- Nation-leading Child Tax Credit outreach efforts underway
- 2.1 million direct rebate payments sent totaling nearly \$1 billion
- Renter's credit shift to the M1
- New Cannabis Tax as of July 1
- New Tribal nation aid
- New affordable housing aid
- · Calculated one-time increase on property tax refund programs
- Calculated and sent increased Local Government Aid and County Program Aid to Minnesota counties and cities



Nation-leading Child Tax Credit

- Maximum credit of \$1,750 per child 17 and under no limit
- Refundable and permanent
- 35,000 married joint filers, 29,500 single filers for maximum credit
- 300,000 families and 513,000 children estimated to qualify
- Cut child poverty by 33%
- Must file taxes to receive the credit

Child Tax Credit Outreach

- Working with Governor's office and state agencies
- Over 170 free tax preparation sites
- 33 grantees to promote credit
- Individual outreach efforts to Tribal nations
 - In coordination with Lt. Governor's office

Status Report (as of Tuesday, February 13th, 2024)

- Total of \$146,679,795 in claimed Child Tax Credits
- Average Child Tax Credit claimed totals \$1,342
- 113,064 total qualifying children claimed

One-time rebate – inflation and pandemic relief

- 2.1 million rebates sent out, 1.1 million sent via direct deposit in first 3 days
- 1 million checks sent
- Will begin third round of reissuing uncashed checks next week (~128,000)
- Ensuring the right amount gets to the right person
- Third-party partnership to send checks efficiently Submittable
 - · Did frontline worker pay rebates
 - · U.S. Bank had previously worked with Submittable
 - · Good track record of performance and security
 - Allowed Revenue to provide timely property tax refunds and prepare our systems for the next filing season

One-time rebate federal taxability and 1099 MISC

- Designed to provide Minnesotans with targeted inflation relief and match other state's rebates that were not taxable
- IRS issued guidance on taxability of certain tax payments February 2023
- Revenue requested IRS guidance on federal taxability of newly enacted payments in May 2023 and again in September 2023 including a letter asserting rationale for non-taxable status
- IRS issued preliminary decision on federal taxability of relief payments in November 2023
- Meetings with IRS Commissioner in December 2023 and January 2024
- IRS gave final decision in January 2024

Department of Revenue – Looking Ahead

Implementation for 2025 tax season

- Child Tax Credit advanced periodic payments
 - Working with stakeholders for potential design
- Moving the Renter's PTR to a refundable income tax credit on the M1
- e-Services enhancements for individual income tax customers
 - Developing a roadmap for customer enhancements
- Working to make Minnesota's tax code simpler and more understandable for taxpayers



Thank you

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