

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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Ms. Julie Garcia
Director Stakeholder Partnerships
Education and Communication
Internal Revenue Service
Grant Program Office
401 Peachtree Street NW
Stop 420-D
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Ms. Garcia:

It is my pleasure to support the Ross County EITC Coalition in its efforts to secure funding through the Internal Revenue Service's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance grant program.

If awarded, funding will be used to expand free tax preparation services to remote rural communities, elderly and handicapped individuals, military personnel, and the hearing impaired.

It is my hope that the Ross County EITC Coalition will be given the opportunity to continue serving low-to-moderate income individuals and families.

Please give serious consideration to the Ross County EITC Coalition's application for funding. I ask that you keep my office informed of the status of this application.

Sincerely,



Sherrod Brown
United States Senator

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