FREE TAX PREPARATION IN RAMSEY COUNTY AND ST. PAUL

Ramsey County (2015 data from the Internal Revenue Service)

- **9,865 Ramsey County residents** had their federal taxes prepared at a free tax preparation site and received a total of **\$10.8 million in tax refunds**
- 42,790 residents received the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), totaling approximately \$102 million in EITC refunds
- **2,802 of those receiving the EITC filed with a free tax reparation service**, keeping 100% of the collective \$4.3 million in EITC refunds

There were 20 free tax preparation sites in Saint Paul during the 2016 tax season

	Prepare + Prosper operated three tax sites in
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	• Our main office off of University at Hwy. 280
	Hallie Q. Brown Community Center
	East Side Financial Center

Prepare + Prosper customers who reside in St. Paul (2016 tax season data)

- 2,569 Saint Paul residents had their taxes prepared at Prepare + Prosper and received a total of \$5 million in tax refunds
- 927 of those residents received the EITC, totaling approximately \$1.6 million in EITC refunds
- 36% identified as African American, 25% as White/Non-Hispanic, 12% as Latino or Hispanic, 9% as African, 8% as Asian or Pacific Islander, 4% as other, 4% as Multi-racial, and 2% as American Indian or Alaskan Native

Prepare + Prosper 2016 tax season

- 512 volunteers prepared taxes and offered financial services
- 12,001 taxpayers received services
- \$23.2 million in tax refunds were received
- 1,217 people saved \$1,9 million of their refunds



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