

Public Service Announcement

Yearly Income Tax Returns for Income Assistance Recipients

Start Date: March 18, 2022

End Date: April 30, 2022

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If you are receiving Income Assistance, please be advised that you must file your 2021 Income Tax Return to ensure you receive the benefits entitled to you. Examples of Income Assistance benefits would be the Canada Child Benefit (CCB), Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS), Senior Citizens Supplementary Benefit (SCSB), and the Goods and Services Tax Credit (GST).

Income Assistance benefits will be denied if you do not file a 2021 Income Tax Return without a valid reason.

To determine initial and continued eligibility for Income Assistance benefits, you must:

1. File an Income Tax Return by May 2, 2022.
2. Provide a copy of your 2021 Income Tax Return (*Head of Household and Spouse*) to the Income Assistance Worker at your next appointment.
3. Declare any Income Tax Refunds received.
 - The first \$3,000 of the income tax refund is exempted. Any remaining amount above \$3,000 is unearned income.
4. Attend your scheduled monthly appointments, even if you received an Income Tax Refund.

Please contact your local Income Assistance Worker if you have any questions about filing your income tax return. For contact information visit

https://gov.nu.ca/sites/default/files/income_assistance_office_list.pdf.

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