### HOW TO OBTAIN A TAX RETURN TRANSCRIPT FROM THE IRS

Tax filers can request from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) a **Tax Return Transcript** of their **2024** IRS tax return information, free of charge, in several ways. When requesting a transcript, tax filers need to provide their full legal name, Social Security Number (SSN) or ITIN, photo ID, email address and computer or cell phone with access to the internet and a front-facing camera.

**For Joint Tax Return filers:** When requesting a tax return transcript using one of the electronic processes described below, <u>use the primary tax filer's information</u> (e.g., SSN or ITIN). When requesting a transcript using one of the two paper processes described in this document, either spouse may submit the request and only one signature is required.

#### 1. Online Request - Get Transcript ONLINE

- Available on the IRS web site at <u>www.irs.gov</u>
- Click "Get your tax records and transcripts"
- Click "Sign in ot your online account."
- The tax filer must sign up to create or reactivate their account.
- Follow the prompts to request a transcript.

# <u>DO NOT use options 2 or 3</u> if you are no longer receiving mail at the address on the federal tax return transcript that you are requesting.

#### 2. Online Request - Get Transcript by MAIL

- Available on the IRS web site at www.irs.gov
- Click "Get your tax records and transcripts"
- Click "Get transcript by mail."
- Complete the required fields (SSN, DOB etc.) then click "Continue."
- In the Type of Transcript field, select "Return Transcript", in the Tax Year field, select "2024."
- Click "Continue."
  - Leave the "Customer File Number" entry blank if you were not directed/assigned a number by a third-party.
- If successfully validated, tax filers can expect to receive a paper IRS Tax Return Transcript at the address included in their online request, within 5 to 10 calendar days from the time the online request was successfully transmitted to the IRS.
- Note: IRS tax return transcripts requested online cannot be mailed to an address other than the address on file with the IRS.
- Hint: May need to format address as on record with www.usps.com

#### 3. Telephone Request

- Available from the IRS by calling 1-800-908-9946.
- Tax filers must follow prompts to enter their Social Security number and the numbers in their street address or post office box number
- Select "Option 2" to request an IRS Tax Return Transcript and then enter "2024."
- If successfully validated, tax filers can expect to receive a paper IRS Tax Return Transcript at the
  address included in their telephone request within 5 to 10 calendar days from the time the IRS
  receives the request.
- **Important!** IRS Tax Return Transcripts requested by telephone cannot be mailed to an address other than the address on file with the IRS.
- To speak to IRS customer service 1-800-829-1040

## 4. <u>Paper Request Form – IRS Form 4506T-EZ, Short Form Request for Individual Tax Return</u> Transcript or IRS Form 4506-T, Request for Transcript of Tax Return

(Use this option to have a tax return transcript mailed to an address not on the original return.)

- Download a PDF https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f4506tez.pdf for the EZ form, or
- Download a PDF for the 4506-T at https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f4506t.pdf
- Follow the instructions provided on page 2 of the downloaded form
- Mail or fax the completed IRS Form 4506T-EZ or Form 4506-T (details on page 2 of each form)
- Tax filers can expect to receive their IRS Tax Return Transcript within 10 business days from the
  time the IRS receives and processes the completed and signed 4506T-EZ or 4506-T request.
  However, if a third party is identified on line 5, the third party can expect to receive the tax filer's
  IRS Tax Return Transcript within 10 business days from the time the IRS receives and processes
  the signed request.
- NOTE: If any information does not match IRS records, the IRS will notify the tax filer that it was not able to provide the transcript.