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FREE Income Tax Assistance at Eco-Nomic Living Expo FEB. 5th

One of the benefits of attending the EcoNomic Living Expo Feb. 5th at the Emerald Coast Conference Center is **FREE TAX ASSISTANCE**. For this day only, Okaloosa County will have a VITA site (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance). This is brought to you by the IRS, United Way and Okaloosa Saves.

If you are moderate income or below, and will be filing a non-business form, then you can get your taxes done and filed for FREE. Bring your W-2's and form of identification to the **ECO-NOMIC Living Expo from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m., on Feb. 5th**.

Tax information for OIL SPILL payments will also be available.

For additional information, visit <http://OKALOOSASAVES.ORG> or call 689-5850.

Other workshops, seminars and activities for kids make the event entertaining and fun. **Eco-Nomic Living Expo**

Highlights include:

- **Award-winning, National Speakers:** Thom Gossam will share his personal experience and success, and Dr. Jennifer Languell will talk about "building green and green initiatives."
- **Seminars and Workshops:**
 - Rain Barrel Workshops*
 - Credit and Debt*
 - Saving Money with Technology (Skype, Google voice, make your own smart board)*
 - Coupon Magic—how to use coupons in today's world!*
 - Identity Theft*
 - Lawn & Landscaping to save money & water*
 - Water wise irrigation*
 - And Much More!*
- **Prizes and Giveaways!**

The Expo is sponsored by Okaloosa Saves, in cooperation with local businesses and groups. The money collected for Okaloosa Saves goes toward educational materials, community outreach and savings incentives. Okaloosa Saves is a nonprofit organized by the University of Florida and Okaloosa County Extension. Okaloosa Saves is dedicated to helping people make more informed choices and promotes savings and wealth-building programs to improve the financial future of all residents.

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Okaloosa Saves Week is February 20 through 26, 2011. Organizations can host a seminar for employees or distribute information about Savings. Information and ideas can be provided to you by calling the Okaloosa County Extension Office, at **850.689.5855** or by visiting **okaloosasaves.org**.

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