# The Earned Income Credit DO I QUALIFY?

#### YOU MUST HAVE EARNED INCOME

#### **Qualifying Income Sources**

- · Wages, salaries, tips, and other taxable employee wages.
- Long-term disability payments received before the minimum retirement age.
- Net earnings for self-employed, statutory employee, farmers, ministers, and religious order members.
- · Independent contractor wages.
- · "Strike Pay" wages as a union benefit.
- Combat pay.

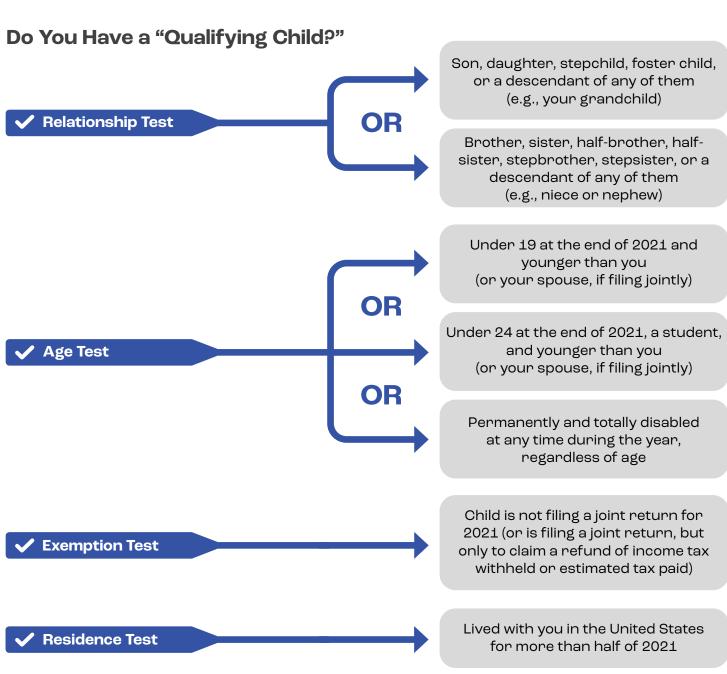


### **OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

- Must be a U.S. citizen or resident alien with a valid Social Security Number.
- You cannot file as married filing separately.
- You cannot be a qualifying child of another taxpayer.
- · Investment income must be \$10,000 or less for the year.



#### **BIGGER FAMILY = BIGGER CREDIT**



You can claim the credit even if you do not have a qualifying child.

# TAXABLE EARNED INCOME AND ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME THRESHOLDS

Filing Status	No Children	One Child	Two Children	Three+ Children
Single, Head of Household, or Qualifying Widow(er)	\$21,430	\$42,158	\$47,915	\$51,464
Married Filing Jointly	\$27,380	\$48,108	\$53,865	\$57,414

## **MAXIMUM CREDIT AMOUNTS FOR 2021**







\$3,618 with one qualifying child

This infographic covers most, but not all documentation that might be required for taxpayers.



children



qualifying children







