### TAX FILING CHECKLIST

#### **Personal Information**

- Your social security number or tax ID number
- Your spouse's full name and social security number or tax ID number

# **Dependent(s) Information**

- Dates of birth and social security numbers or tax ID numbers
- Childcare records (including the provider's tax ID number) if applicable
- Income of other adults in your home
- Form 8332 showing that the child's custodial parent is releasing their right to claim a child to you, the noncustodial parent (if applicable)

#### **Sources Of Income**

- Employed
  - Forms W-2
- Unemployed
  - Unemployment, state tax refund (1099-G)
- Self-Employed
  - Forms 1099, Schedules K-1, income records to verify amounts not reported on 1099s
  - Records of all expenses check registers or credit card statements, and receipts
  - Business-use asset information (cost, date placed in service, etc.) for depreciation
  - Office in home information, if applicable
  - Record of estimated tax payments made (Form 1040–ES)
- Rental Income
  - Records of income and expenses
  - Rental asset information (cost, date placed in service, etc.) for depreciation
  - Record of estimated tax payments made (Form 1040–ES)
- Retirement Income
  - Pension/IRA/annuity income (1099-R)
  - Traditional IRA basis (i.e., amounts you contributed to the IRA that were already taxed)
  - Social security/RRB income (1099-SSA, RRB-1099)
- Savings & Investments or Dividends
  - Interest, dividend income (1099-INT, 1099-OID, 1099-DIV)
  - Income from sales of stock or other property (1099-B, 1099-S)
  - Dates of acquisition and records of your cost or other basis in property you sold (if basis is not reported on 1099-B)
  - Health Savings Account and long-term care reimbursements (1099-SA or 1099-LTC)
  - Expenses related to your investments
  - Record of estimated tax payments made (Form 1040–ES)
- Other Income & Losses
  - Gambling income (W-2G or records showing income, as well as expense records)
  - Jury duty records
  - Hobby income and expenses
  - Prizes and awards
  - Trusts
  - Royalty Income 1099–Misc.
  - Any other 1099s received
  - Record of alimony paid/received with ex-spouse's name and SSN

### **Adjustments to Income**

- Form 1098-E for student loan interest paid (or loan statements for student loans)
- Form 1098-T for tuition paid
- Records of IRA contributions made during the year
- Receipts for any qualifying energy-efficient home improvements (solar, windows, etc)
- Records of Medical Savings Account (MSA) contributions
- Self-employed health insurance payment records
- Records of moving expenses (for active and reservist military)
- Alimony paid
- Keogh, SEP, SIMPLE, and other self-employed pension plans

## **Types Of Deductions**

- Home Ownership
  - Forms 1098 or other mortgage interest statements
  - Real estate and personal property tax records
  - Receipts for energy-saving home improvements (e.g., solar panels, solar water heater)
  - All other 1098 series forms
- Charitable Donations
  - Cash amounts donated to houses of worship, schools, other charitable organizations
  - Records of non-cash charitable donations
  - Amounts of miles driven for charitable or medical purposes
- Medical Expenses
  - Amounts paid for healthcare insurance and to doctors, dentists, hospitals
- Health Insurance
  - Form 1095-A if you enrolled in an insurance plan through the Marketplace (Exchange)
  - Form 1095-B and/or 1095-C if you had insurance coverage through any other source (e.g., an employer, insurance company, or government health plan such as Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, TRICARE, VA, etc.)
  - Marketplace exemption certificate (ECN) if you applied for and received an exemption from the Marketplace (Exchange)
- Childcare Expenses
  - Fees paid to a licensed day care center or family day care for care of an infant or preschooler
  - Wages paid to a baby-sitter
    Don't include expenses paid through a flexible spending account at work
- Educational Expenses
  - Forms 1098-T from educational institutions
  - Receipts that itemize qualified educational expenses
  - Records of any scholarships or fellowships you received
  - Form 1098-E if you paid student loan interest
- K-12 Educator Expenses
  - Receipts for classroom expenses (for educators in grades K-12)
- State & Local Taxes
  - Amount of state/local income tax paid (other than wage withholding), or amount of state and local sales tax paid
  - Invoice showing amount of vehicle sales tax paid

- Retirement & Other Savings
  - Form 5498-SA showing HSA contributions
  - Form 5498 showing IRA contributions
  - All other 5498 series forms (5498-QA, 5498-ESA)
- Federally Declared Disaster
  - City/county you lived/worked/had property in
  - Records to support property losses (appraisal, clean up costs, etc.)
  - Records of rebuilding/repair costs
  - Insurance reimbursements/claims to be paid
  - FEMA assistance information
  - Check FEMA site to see if my county has been declared a federal disaster area

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Checklist is subject to change due to IRS updates.