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ORGANIZER & CHECKLIST

Gather tax documents related to income:

□ W-2	Wages, Settlements from previous employers	
□ W-2G	Gambling / Lottery winnings	
□ 1099-R	Pensions, Retirement Plan Distributions, Annuities, Other	
□ SSA-1099	Social Security benefits	
□ 1099-MISC	Rents, Royalties, Non-employee Compensation, Other	
□ 1099-INT *	Interest earnings from Bank or Escrow account	
□ 1099-DIV *	Stock Dividends, Other earnings reported as dividends	
□ 1099-B * / 1099-OID *	Stock sales, Investment transactions	
□ 1099-G	State refunds, Unemployment benefits, Jury Duty	
□ 1099-C	Cancellation of debt	
□ Schedule K-1	Trust, Partnership, S-Corp, Investment income	
□ 1099-K	Credit Card Merchant Transactions	
Taxpayer Summary	Rental Income, Business Income, Alimony Payments *Please contact me if you should need additional organizers.	

*All **foreign bank accounts, brokerage, virtual currency** accounts must be disclosed as reporting may be required even if you did not receive a statement.

Gather tax documents related to expenses:

□ 1095-A, B, or C	Health Insurance Coverage (Now required for CA)	
□ 1098	Mortgage Interest Statement	
□ 1098-T	Tuition Statement	
□ 1098-E	Student Loan Interest Paid	
□ 1098-Q	Payments from Qualified Education Accounts	
□ 1099-SA	Distributions from Health Savings Accounts, MSAs	
LES or LAST	Taxpayers should always be reviewing these. For those who	
Paycheck Stub	ITEMIZE, we may find useful deductions.	
Charitable You must have acknowledgement from the charitable organization		
Contributions	cash/check/cc donations totaling over \$250.00, a 1098-C for vehicles	
	donations over \$500.00, and Donation Tickets for non-cash (household)	
	items donated totaling over \$250.00 (fair market value).	
□ 1099-LTC	Long Term Benefits paid under insurance contract	
□ Schedule K-1	Trust, Partnership, S-Corp, Investment income	
□ 1099-K	Credit Card Merchant Transactions	
Solar Contract	If permission to operate has been granted during the tax year, a	
	copy of your solar contract is needed for your records and mine.	

Let's make sure we discuss the following:

Change of Address

IRA contributions

- □ Change on Dependents
- □ Change of Marital Status / Divorce
- □ Change of Banking Information
- □ I'M STARTING A BUSINESS!
- Lived and/or Earned Income in More than One State

- □ Change of Employment or Profession
- Financial Loss
- □ Military Reservist (travel over 100 mi)
- □ Moving Expenses (Military Only)
- □ Filed Bankruptcy
- □ Foreclosure/Short Sale
- □ Stock Options through Employer
- □ YOUR BIGGEST EXPENSE THIS YEARBESIDES TAX, WHAT WAS IT?



CHILDREN & DEPENDENTS

Childcare Provider Paid:Address:		\$	
Phone:	-		
SSN or Tax ID:	-		
Childcare Provider Paid:		\$	
Address:			
Phone:	-		
SSN or Tax ID:	-		
Dependent Care benefits received from employer (W-2, box	10)		
Education Savings Account contributions	,		
Education Savings Account distributions (Form 1099-Q)			
Do you have a shared custody agreement?		□ yes	🗆 no
Does your child have Investment Earnings?		□ yes	🗆 no



HOMEOWNERS (Personal Property not for Business Use)

Real Estate Taxes <i>(1st home)</i>		
Real Estate Taxes (2 nd home, Other)		
Mortgage Interest (from all Lenders you had during tax year)		
Mortgage Insurance Premiums (PMI, MIP, VA funding fee)		
Energy Efficient Upgrades (Solar, A/C Heat Unit, Water Heater, Windows		
– NOT appliance purchases)		
Escrow Closing/Settlement Statement (Purchase, Refinance, Sale of		
Property)		
Amount of mortgage debt not related to purchase/improvement of 1 st or		
2 nd home		
I claimed the 2008 Homebuyer Credit of up to \$7,500	□ yes	🗆 no



PROFESSIONAL EXPENSES

Tax Prep Fees Paid in 2020	
Job Seeking Costs	
Investment Advisory Fees (Non-retirement accounts)	
Investment Interest Expense	
Attorney Fees Paid to Produce Taxable Income	



VEHICLE REGISTRATION / PURCHASES

VLF fees/Vehicle Taxes paid through DMV (based on vehicle value)	
Sales Tax Paid on purchases during the tax year	
VLF fees from purchase invoice/slip	
□ Electric, Fuel Cell, or Hybrid Vehicle purchased for tax credit?	



CHARITABLE DEDUCTIONS

Please reference checklist for any tax documents required for your records.

Cash,	/Check/Credit Card Donations		
Fair N	/larket Value of Non-Cash/Hou	sehold items donated	Total of all donations
Date	Organization	Value \$	\$
Date	Organization	Value \$	
Date	Organization	Value \$	
Date	Organization	Value \$	
Date	Organization	Value \$	
Date	Organization	Value \$	
Date	Organization	Value \$	
	ge driven for charitable purpos nteer work, drop-off donations)		



UNREIMBURSED EMPLOYEE BUSINESS EXPENSES

*Please contact me should you need a more detailed organizer for your profession or because you are SELF-employed.

	n employer <i>(Recorded, Not commuting)</i> 12-31 Odometer:	
 Professional Fees / 		
Phone Expenses		
Computer Supplies		
□ Misc. Supplies, Gifts	\$\$25 or less	
Safety Equipment		
□ Travel		
□ Home Office sq ft	Total Home sq ft	% of work at hm
Date you began usir	ng home office:	
Other		



MEDICAL EXPENSES

You will need over 7.5% of your Adjusted Gross Income to include these. Please do not include health insurance premiums paid through a pre-tax payroll deduction.

Prescription Drugs (A yearly summary of copays can be provided by your pharmacy)	
Insurance Premiums (Health, Dental, Vision)	
Doctor/Dentist Copays & Charges	
Hospitals/Labs/Specialists	
Medical Equipment/Supplies	
Glasses, Hearing Aids, Other	
Medical Miles Driven	
Hotel stay up to \$50 per night to receive medical care	# of nights



INCOME TAXES PAID 1-1-2020 through 12-31-2020

*Do not write down amounts of Federal tax withholding deducted from your pay.

□ State taxes paid during 2020 (Prior year Balance due, Back tax payments) \$				
Estimated Ta	ixes Paid			
	Federal	<u>State of</u>		
Date	Amount	Date	Amount	
Date	Amount	Date	Amount	
Date	Amount	Date	Amount	
Date Amount Date Amount				