Making Tax Time Work for Everyone:
Strengthening Tax Credits for Working Families in 2020

Thursday, February 6, 2020 | 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM | U.S. Capitol Visitor Center, Room SVC 212-10

A Capitol Hill Policy Forum Co-Hosted by Prosperity Now & Tax Credits for Workers and Their Families (TCWF)

For low- and moderate-income families, tax time presents a critical moment to build financial security. Tax credits such as the EITC (Earned Income Tax Credits) and CTC (Child Tax Credits) not only help families to move out of poverty, stay afloat and catch up financially but also give them an opportunity to build a financial cushion for the upcoming year.

This morning we will discuss how policymakers, community tax preparers and advocates can work together to continue strengthening the tax time moment. This will include building on tax time victories in 2019, such as the passage of the VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) Permanence Act, as well as highlighting upcoming tax time research in 2020. We will also dive into what practitioners on the ground are seeing in the current tax filing season including challenges and opportunities moving forward.

11:00 AM-11:15 AM: Networking and Lunch

11:15 AM-11:20 AM: Welcome
• Devin Simpson, Senior Associate, Tax Credits for Workers and Their Families

11:20 AM-11:30 AM: Introductory Remarks
• Gary Cunningham, President and CEO, Prosperity Now

11:30 AM-12:05 PM: Keynote Remarks
• IRS Commissioner Chuck Rettig
• Congressman Danny Davis (D-IL-7)

12:05 PM-12:45 PM: Panel Discussion
• Mary Arthur, President and CEO, Campaign for Working Families
• Chye-Ching Huang, Senior Director for Economic Policy, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities
• Aparna Mathur, Resident Scholar, American Enterprise Institute
• Daniel Turrentine, Vice President & Chief Government Affairs Officer, H&R Block
• David Newville, Vice President of Policy and Research, Prosperity Now (moderator)

12:45 PM-12:55 PM: Audience Question & Answer

12:55 PM-1:00 PM: Closing Remarks
• David Newville, Vice President of Policy and Research, Prosperity Now

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