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1 AARP Foundation now recruiting volunteers for in-
2 person and virtual Tax-Aide service

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4 TEXT BODY:

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5 AARP Foundation has kicked off volunteer recruitment
6 for its Tax-Aide program, the nation's largesta volunteer-based tax
7 preparation service that offers free in-person and online tax
8 preparation and assistance nationwide to taxpayers with low to
9 moderate income.-

10 -Volunteers may sign up to assist taxpayers either in-
11 person or virtually, with a number of roles available.

12 Tax-Aide will train preparers~~In addition to tax preparers,~~
13 ~~whom the program will train, Tax-Aide needs.~~ All levels and
14 types of experience are welcome.

15 Volunteers typically come from a variety of industries
16 and range from retirees to university students. The program also
17 seeks people ~~who can~~to provide technical and communications
18 assistance, interpreters, and program leaders. ~~Volunteers come~~
19 ~~from a variety of industries and range from retirees to university~~
20 ~~students. All levels and types of experience are welcome.~~

21 ~~Tax-Aide offers free in-person and online tax preparation~~
22 ~~and assistance nationwide to taxpayers with low to moderate~~
23 ~~income.~~ Because of the complexity of the U.S. tax code, many
24 taxpayers overpay their taxes or turn to paid tax services they
25 cannot afford, ~~according to the news release provided by AARP.~~
26 Some may forgo filing their taxes and miss out on the credits and
27 deductions they've earned because they are unable to pay for
28 assistance. Tax-Aide volunteers can help by providing necessary
29 services in communities where there is the greatest need.

30 AARP Foundation Tax-Aide has grown since its inaugural
31 team of just four volunteers in 1968 and has served over 68
32 million taxpayers since its inception. The program has volunteers
33 in every state.

34 To learn about volunteer opportunities in Vermont, email
35 vt1@aarpfoundationtaxaide.org or call 802-951-1304. AARP
36 Foundation Tax-Aide is offered in coordination with the IRS.

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