

# Tax Facts

## Did you Know That:

- The City of Ashland Income Tax Division provides taxpayer assistance regarding income tax matters between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- Your mailing address (i.e., area post office or school district) does not always reflect the taxing jurisdiction in which you live. Not sure if you actually live in the City of Ashland? Find out by calling (491) 289-0386.
- As an Ashland resident, you are responsible for paying additional tax if the tax rate where you work is less than 1.5%.
- Social Security benefits, pension income, welfare payments, state unemployment, workers' compensation, interest and dividends are not subject to Ashland city tax.
- The filing deadline for calendar year taxpayers is April 15<sup>th</sup> or the Federal tax return date, which ever is later. All extension requests must be submitted on or before this date.
  - Extensions are an extension of time to file not an extension of time to pay any tax due. Payment of any estimated tax due should accompany the extension request
  - A copy of the Federal extension (Form 4768 - Individuals, Form 7004 - Corporations, and Form 8736 - Partnerships) is acceptable but must be submitted to the City Income Tax Department by the original due date of the return.
- If you do not have City tax withheld from your earnings, you must file a Declaration of Estimated Tax if you will owe more than \$100.00 (available on this web site and remit quarterly installments totaling at least 90% of that estimate to the Income Tax Division.
- You do not need to file a return if you were under 16 years of age during the entire tax year. In fact, if your employer withheld Ashland tax from your wages, you are entitled to a refund.
- If you are 17 and are fully withheld you do not need to file a return. If you are not fully withheld you would need to file on the amount that is not withheld. If you are 18 years old for any part of a year you will need to file a tax return whether you have earnings or not.

## Questions? Call (419) 289-0386

- Are YOU required to file an Ashland Income Tax Return?
  - 1) Every Ashland, Ohio resident who is 18 years or older who is either employed within the City, or who is employed outside The City whether or not a City income tax is withheld.
  - 2) Every Ashland, Ohio resident who is 18 years or older even if they are unemployed.
  - 3) Every Ashland, Ohio resident who conducts a business operation within the City or outside the City.
  - 4) Every non-resident business who has business operations within the City.
  - 5) Every resident or non-resident 16 years or older who received compensation where no City income tax is withheld.

- Did I have any other earnings in Ashland from which at least 1.5% was not withheld?

Earned income is defined as salaries, wages and earnings designated for deferred compensation, 401K plans, commissions, and other compensation and would include but not be limited to: bonuses, incentive payments, directors fees, property in lieu of cash, tips, dismissal or severance pay, tax shelter plans, vacation and sick pay, wage continuation plans, SUB pay, strike pay, income from partnerships, estates or trusts, net rental income, net profits of business profession, corporation, ect.

You must file a return even if you have a loss.

## **WHAT INCOME IS NOT TAXABLE?**

Income not taxable includes dividends, interest, military pay and allowances, insurance proceeds, annuities, alimony, social security, medicare, poor relief, unemployment insurance benefits, gifts, inheritances, scholarships, involuntary conversions, disability income, child support and pension withdrawal.