

Meet April



Local Bus Driver with a Heart for Kids Receives Free Tax Preparation

April of Newport arrived for her tax appointment on Saint Patrick's Day adorned in festive attire. As a school bus driver for Greenwood School District, April loves working with children and bringing light to their lives.

"I like to think we celebrate our holidays together on the bus," April says. "I want to give them a smile before they start their day."

For the last several years, April has used United Way's Money in Your Pocket (MIYP) program at

the Perry County Literacy Council to have her taxes prepared. She used to use a service that charged a high fee and was relieved to find a free program.

"The fees added up and took away from my refund," April says. "This year, I will use my refund to buy new tires for my car.

MIYP is a community collaboration of organizations committed to the economic stability of local families. The program aims to increase use of the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and the Child Tax Credit (CTC). The EITC is a tax credit offered by the federal government to supplement wages for low-income workers.

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