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NEW STATE OFFICE PROVIDES STATE TAX ASSISTANCE TO CHESTER AND DELAWARE COUNTY

Chester, PA – Mayor Butler today announced that new state tax services are now available at the new Pennsylvania Department of Revenue office in Chester. City and County residents who need help filing state income tax returns or applying for property tax or rent rebates can now receive assistance without having to drive into Philadelphia. One of three district offices that recently opened in the region, the district office in the City of Chester provides free state income tax and property tax/rent rebate filing assistance. Further, the district office offers assistance in resolving inheritance tax matters.

“The new district office will add to the broad range of services that are already available in Chester’s downtown and complement neighboring businesses along that corridor,” said Mayor Wendell N. Butler, Jr. “I want to thank Senator Dominic Pileggi and the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue for locating this office in Chester,” said Mayor Butler. “This is the kind of investment by state government that can help make a difference in Chester.”

State Senator Dominic Pileggi stated that, “Having Commonwealth offices more accessible to more residents is something that I have supported for a long time. In this case it not only serves the residents of Chester and Delaware County, it contributes to the revitalization of Chester’s downtown. It definitely works well for all concerned.”

Located at 419 Avenue of the States on the 6th Floor of the Crozer Building, the district office is equipped to handle most tax issues, as the staff has access to the same records and information available at the department’s headquarters in Harrisburg. There are nine permanent employees that work out of the office, plus four temporary employees that supplement the permanent staff during tax season.

Chester residents who need help filing state income tax returns or applying for property tax or rent rebates can visit the new office from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday or call 610-619-8018 for more information.

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