## **Taxes**

Conexión Américas and a team of volunteers through VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) helped hundreds of families file their taxes virtually and inperson. Additionally, we assisted families in applying for an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) – an essential component for tax paying residents without social security numbers.



## Keila

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While assisting Keila in preparing her taxes, she mentioned she was a tax expert in her home country of Venezuela and wanted to learn more about the tax system here. Soon after, she began the training program to volunteer with Conexión Américas and help Spanish-speaking families prepare their taxes.



Since 2019, Keila has volunteered 40 hours, all while having a full-time job. "I took the initiative to learn everything about taxes in the U.S., but what motivated me to volunteer the most was the opportunity to help the Latino community."

284

tax returns filed for 2020

\$381,000

in tax refunds

20

new individual tax payer number (ITIN) applications completed 51

ITIN renewals

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