



# *Tulare County Business Incentive Zone*

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## *Hiring Credit Overview*

You have been given this information because you are starting work for a “BIZ Eligible Company”. Congratulations and best wishes as you begin your new career.

The Tulare County Business Incentive Zone (BIZ) is designed to promote business growth and job generation by offering state tax credits and valuable incentives to qualified businesses within the county. Your employer is located within this exclusive zone and is entitled to the zone benefits.

By claiming the Hiring Credit, eligible businesses are able to reduce their state income taxes by the amount of the wages paid to qualified employees.

The process of qualifying an employee begins with the individual completing the Business Incentive Zone Pre-Screening Form. We hope that you will take a few moments to review the Pre-Screening Form and determine your eligibility status. This process is entirely voluntary. We merely ask that you please review the Pre-Screening Form and check any and all boxes that apply to you.

When you have completed the form please enclose it along with the qualifying documentation necessary to support your eligibility, in the envelope provided to you and seal it. If you would like for the necessary documentation to be acquired for you please sign and enclose the Applicant Statement. The envelope will be given to a BIZ representative for processing and your information will remain strictly confidential. You will only need to qualify under one category to be deemed eligible.

The County of Tulare Business Incentive Zone staff appreciates your time and cooperation. If you have any questions or if you would like additional information, please contact one of the Business Incentive Zone representatives at: 1-800-266-3271

Again, congratulations as you begin your new career!