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Oregon Woman Sentenced to Prison for ID Theft

A Portland, Oregon resident was sentenced to serve 24 months in prison for aggravated identity theft, announced Acting Deputy Assistant Attorney General Stuart M. Goldberg of the Justice Department's Tax Division and U.S. Attorney Billy Williams for the District of Oregon.

According to documents filed with the court, Roychelle Brown, 45, stole personal identifying information of homeless individuals and veterans from her employer, Central City Concern, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping fight homelessness and joblessness for residents of Portland, Oregon. Brown collected information related to individuals she believed had died and provided it to her sister, Tataneisha White, to use in filing fraudulent returns. White was sentenced to serve 37 months in prison in October 2015.

In addition to the term of prison imposed, Brown was ordered to serve one year of supervised release and to pay \$2,000 in restitution to Central City Concern, to reimburse the organization for costs it incurred as a result of Brown's identity theft. Brown previously pleaded guilty in December 2016.

Acting Deputy Assistant Attorney General Goldberg and U.S. Attorney Williams commended special agents of Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation, who conducted the investigation, and Trial Attorney Lori A. Hendrickson and former Trial Attorney Ryan Raybould of the Tax Division, who prosecuted the case.

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