

Federal Intergovernmental Partnering Program



Federal Intergovernmental Partnering Program

"The Gateway to Good Government"

IRS Strategic Goals

- Improve service to make voluntary compliance easier
- Enforce the law to ensure everyone meets their obligation to pay taxes
- Strengthen partnerships with *other* third parties to ensure effective tax administration

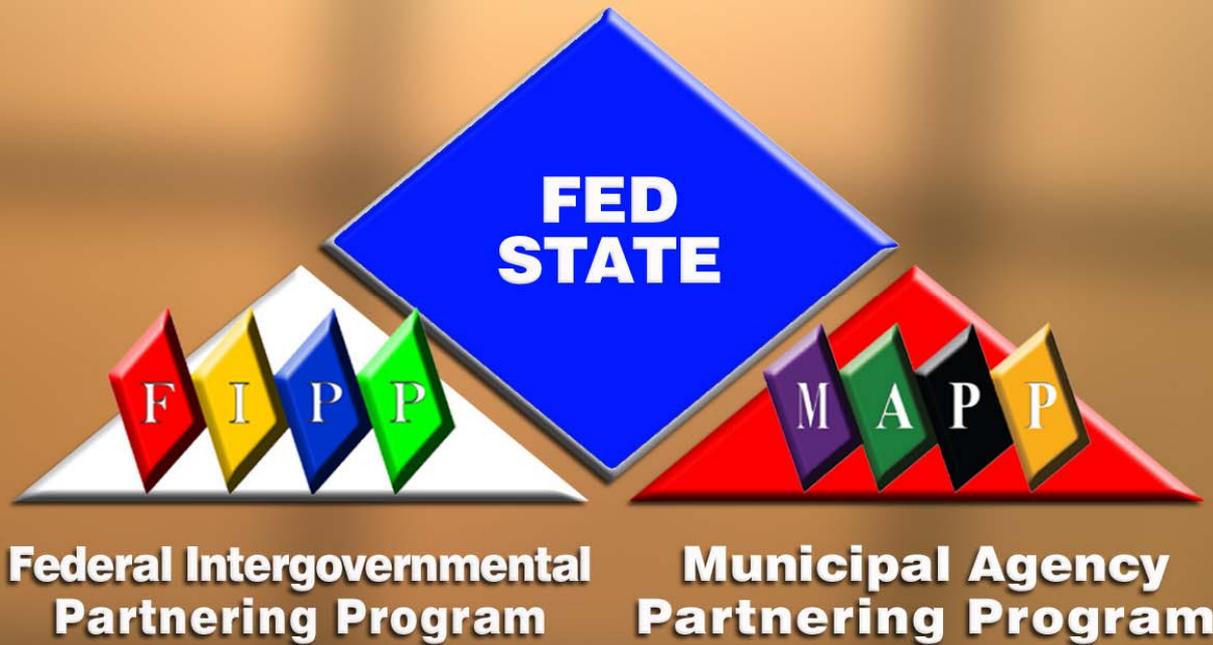


Governmental Liaison Mission

- Establish and facilitate relationships with governmental agencies
- Leverage resources of other government agencies
- Exchange data
 - Integrate data validation/matching into IRS work streams



GL-The Gateway to Good Government



FIPP Strengthens Transparency and Open Government

“Government should be collaborative. Collaboration actively engages Americans in the work of their government. Executive departments and agencies should use innovative tools, methods, and systems to cooperate among themselves, across all levels of Government, and with nonprofit organizations, businesses, and individuals in the private sector. Executive departments and agencies should solicit public feedback to assess and improve their level of collaboration and to identify new opportunities for cooperation.”

President Barack Obama, 1/21/09 Memorandum on Transparency and Open Government



Federal Intergovernmental Partnering Program

- Provides a consistent, systematic approach to significantly expand and establish new relationships with federal agencies
- Coordinates IRS contacts with federal agencies
- Maintains a service-wide inventory of current agreements and projects with federal agencies



Impacts of Collaborative Government

- Cuts costs
- Increases revenue
- Provides best practices
- Maximizes education and outreach



Existing and Potential Agency Partnerships

Existing & Potential Agency Partnerships



Ongoing Agency Partnerships

- **USCIS/State Department**

- Visa applications: providing training to understand and assess tax/financial information

- **HUD**

- Office of Community Renewal: working together to help businesses in economically depressed communities through various tax credits



Ongoing Agency Partnerships

- **SBA**

- Small business outreach: providing information to help small business customers start up and run full steam
- Disaster assistance: helping SBA verify income when taxpayers apply for SBA disaster loans

- **Department of Defense**

- Reducing the tax burden on military service members through volunteer tax assistance (VITA)
- Defense Education Activity Office: providing content to include in educational curricula



FIPP Responsibilities

- Support IRS OD/FD's in implementing initiatives with other federal agencies that impact tax compliance or educational/outreach opportunities
- Coordinate IRS contacts with federal agencies
- Maintain a service-wide inventory of current agreements and projects with federal agencies
- Secure additional appropriate federal agency data in support of the IRS strategic plan and OD/FD business goals



Summary

- FIPP team is here to develop and implement new partnering initiatives
- FIPP strengthens existing partnerships and develops reciprocal potential arrangements across the federal government to enhance effective tax administration and good government
 - Identify and address non-compliance
 - Leverage our outreach resources



FIPP Contacts

- Mike Birdsong: 405-297-4014;
email: michael.b.birdsong@irs.gov
- Gretchen Mitterer: 303-603-4786;
email: gretchen.mitterer@irs.gov
- FIPP email: *IRS FIPP (internal)
- FIPP email: IRS.FIPP@IRS.GOV
(external)

