

## **Kaplan's Associate Academic Dean Will Serve as Site Coordinator for LA CA\$H During 17-18 Tax Season**



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**LEWISTON:** The Lewiston-Auburn CA\$H Coalition is proud to announce that Anthony "Tony" Tenneson, Kaplan University's Associate Academic Dean, will serve as its Site Coordinator for the 2018 tax season. LA CA\$H annually provides free tax preparation at the Lewiston Memorial Armory to low-to-moderate income individuals/families, as well as provides connections to financial resources. The tax season service, with Tenneson at the on-site helm, will commence in late January through April 1<sup>st</sup>.

*"We are very excited to have Tony on board. His extensive tax and accounting background will be a tremendous asset to both the IRS-certified volunteers at the tax site and to the local residents they serve,"* notes LA CA\$H Co-Chair Dottie Perham-Whittier, Lewiston's Community Relations Coordinator.

Tenneson is equally pleased to come on board with LA CA\$H, "Kaplan University is committed to community service and involving staff and students in the community. I am excited to be part of another commitment to the Lewiston community by participating in this volunteer income tax assistance (VITA) program. VITA assists members of the community in receiving tax benefits due them that otherwise would not have been filed for." Tenneson also notes that

Kaplan and LA CA\$H are currently partnering to establish a virtual tax preparation piece for accounting students to become involved with.

In 2006, Tenneson began teaching at Kaplan University (then Andover College) as an adjunct teaching accounting courses. He became a full-time instructor in 2010 and was promoted to his current position, Associate Academic Dean, in 2012. He has undergraduate degrees from Bentley University and Westbrook College (now the University of New England), as well as a Master's Degree in Accounting from Kaplan University. He is an accredited business accountant and accredited tax preparer certified by the Accreditation Council for Accountancy and Taxation.

Tenneson was previously employed by the Merrill Companies in Portland, Maine from 1972 until 2004. He began there as an accounting clerk, progressed up through various management levels, and was named the Treasurer/CFO in 1990, remaining in that position until the company's sale in 2004. In 2004, Anthony opened AAT Accounting Services providing over 300 clients with accounting and tax preparation until he sold the firm in 2010.

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