## Filing Season Update PowerPoint

Franchise Tax Board Meeting Thursday, June 3, 2021

#### Slide 1: Filing Season Update

Presenters' Names: Cherrie Hayes – Filing Division Roman Fuentes – Accounts Receivable Management Division June 3, 2021

## **Slide 2: Pandemic Operations**

- Public Counters
- Contact Centers
- Training
- Processing Services

### **Slide 3: Filing Date Postponement**

- Postponed state tax filing and payment deadline for individual taxpayers
- Implemented system changes to accept tax returns and payments
- Assisted with Electronic Fund Transfers (EFTs) scheduled 4/15

#### Slide 4: Programs Benefiting California

- Golden State Stimulus
- Earned Income Tax Credit
- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

#### Slide 5: Filing Season Planning

- Technology
- Public Counters
- Operational Change Management

## Slide 6: Web Highlights

- Website visits
- · Promoted self-service options
- Variance patterns from last filing season

#### Slide 7: Return Processing Highlights

- e-file and paper returns processed
- Refunds issued
- Payments processed

#### Slide 8: Return Processing Highlights

- EITC claims
- Golden State Stimulus

## Slide 9: Contact Center Highlights – Telephone Calls

- Calls answered
- Access rate
- Average wait time

## Slide 10: Contact Center Highlights – Chats

- Chats answered
- Access rate
- Average wait time

# Slide 11: FTB VITA Highlights

- Difference with Covid-19 pandemic operations
- 81 FTB volunteers (added 11 new in 2021)
- Filed State and Federal returns

## Slide 12: Summary: Customer Service is Our Priority!

- Supporting taxpayers
- Supporting representatives
- Supporting staff
- Supporting California

Slide 13: Questions?

**Slide 14: Public Comment**