# **Vermont Tax Update**

February 2017

The 2017 tax season is underway. Many individual tax filers have been using myVTax to file claims and check the status of returns. If you used "Where's My Refund?" online last year, you'll find the function updated on <a href="mayVTax">myVTax</a>. In this newsletter we will show you some the new functions available this year. We also have updates on some of the more common fraud schemes you may encounter.

Our <u>website</u> has a wealth of information, including how-to videos and guides about myVTax in the <u>myVTax Resource Center</u>.

## **Important Announcements**

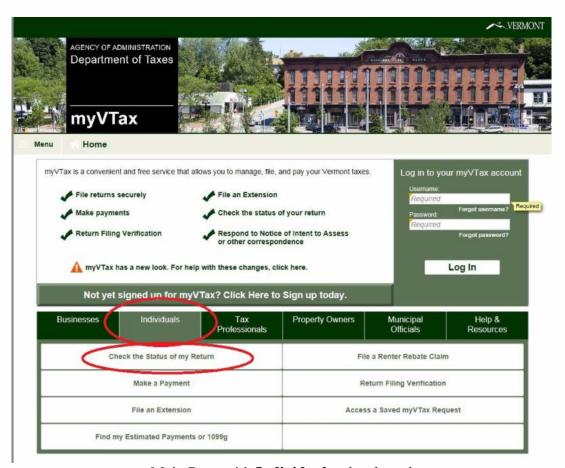
#### 2017 Filing Season on myVTax

Starting this year, taxpayers can use myVTax to:

- check on the status of a return or refund
- file a Renter Rebate claim and Household Income Schedule
- file a Homestead Declaration and Property Tax Adjustment claim
- file a Landlord Certificate
- file a Property Tax Transfer
- file a Land Gains Tax Return

#### 1. The myVTax Main page: Individuals

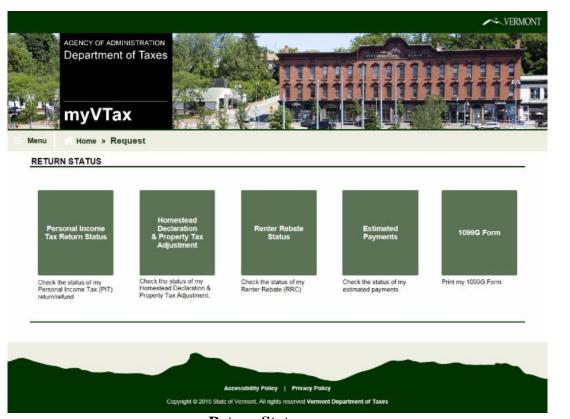
This is the Main Page with the **Individuals** tab selected. You can check the status of a return, make a payment, file a Renter Rebate claim, file an extension and retrieve the Vermont **1099g** from last year's return. If you are expecting a refund this year, you may get a letter in the mail asking you to verify your refund amount. Click **Return Filing Verification** on this screen and enter the special verification code which will appear in the letter. Be sure we have your correct address on file. See Change My Address on our website.



Main Page with Individuals tab selected

#### 2. Check the Status of My Return

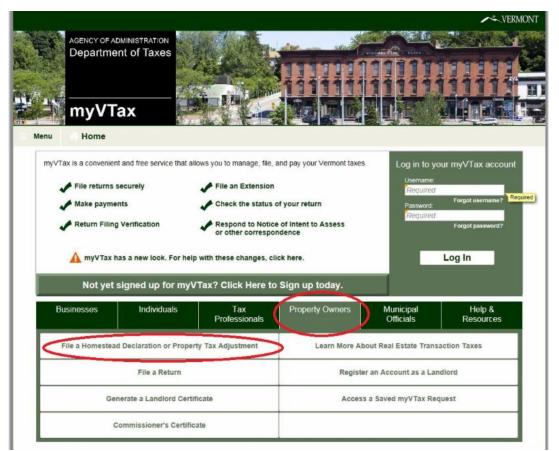
Click Check the Status of My Return on the page above, and you'll see the page below.



Return Status page

## 3. The myVTax Main Page: Property Owners

Click on the **Property Owners** tab to find the Homestead Declaration, and Property Tax Adjustment.



Main Page with Property Owners tab selected

### **Important Links**

Here are some helpful links for the 2017 tax season:

**Identity Theft and Fraud** 

IRS Choosing a Tax Professional

Free Tax Return Preparation Programs.

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Vermont Free File

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