Employee Retention Tax Credit

- *Employers* who saw a large drop in income in 2020/2021, *OR* whose operations were substantially impacted by government orders, may be eligible for a tax credit of up to \$26,000 per eligible employee.
- Tax Credit relates to FICA taxes paid by employers. Clergy (SECA) not eligible.
- No tax credit for quarters used in *forgiveness of a PPP loan* (3508-EZ).
- Employers must attest to the impact. Keep good records (IRS).
- *Deadlines: 4/15/24* (for 2020 tax year) and *4/15/25* (for 2021 tax year)
- *Fees* are typically \$2,000-4,000 per tax year.
- Be wary of fraud and credibility of solicitations from unknown agents offering to provide this service particularly on a "contingent" basis.
- Consider your *current payroll services provider* who has your data and has an interest in maintaining an ongoing business relationship.