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LRA To Honor Over 45 Outstanding Taxpayers Wednesday



The banner features logos for the Liberian government, UNDP, USAID, and LRA. It includes the title 'Taxpayer Appreciation Day', the theme 'Increase Tax Compliance To Enhance Domestic Resource Mobilization', the date 'July 10, 2019', the time '5:00 PM', and the venue 'Paynesville City Hall'. It also displays contact information and social media icons. On the right, there is an image of a glass award trophy with the text 'LRA Awards 2017-2018'.

Taxpayer Appreciation Day

Theme:
Increase Tax Compliance To Enhance Domestic Resource Mobilization

Date: **July 10, 2019** *Time:* **5:00 PM** *Venue:* **Paynesville City Hall**

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(Monrovia, July 8, 2019): The Liberia Revenue Authority (LRA) will on Wednesday, July 10, host its third Taxpayer Appreciation Awards, with President George M. Weah expected to present awards to the country's highest tax contributors.

The Liberian leader will present awards in the Gold, Silver and Bronze categories to three of the country's highest taxpayers for fiscal year 2017/18 at an elaborate Awards program at the Paynesville City Hall.

The Liberia Revenue Authority's annual Taxpayer Appreciation Day program, launched in 2017, appreciates all taxpayers in the country and specifically recognizes compliant and highest tax contributors for meeting all their tax obligations on time and in full. This year's event is being held under the theme: "Increase Tax Compliance To Enhance Domestic Resource Mobilization."



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The recognition is also part of efforts to reinforce a culture of voluntary tax compliance to increase revenue collection with the aim of supporting Liberia's development programs. About 50 individuals, businesses and organizations will receive awards and certificates of special recognition during the program supported by the United Nations Development Program and USAID/Revenue Generation, Governance & Growth (RG3) Project.

The annual event also forms part of the commemoration of the formation of the Liberia Revenue Authority in July 2014. Thirty-three taxpayers (including individuals and institutions) received awards in 2017, while 39 were awarded in 2018.

Our Core Mandate: Established by an Act of the Legislature in 2013, the LRA started functioning on July 1, 2014. The core mandate of the LRA is to administer and enforce Liberia's revenue laws, including the Liberia Revenue Code of 2000 as amended in 2011, and other related laws. Under which laws, it is assigned responsibility for the purposes of assessing, collecting, auditing, and accounting for all national revenues, plus for facilitating legitimate international trade through customs border management and enforcement.