

Lesson 3

Budgeting: Don't Go Broke



Key Words

budget
cash management
expenses
federal income tax
fixed expenses
gross income
income
Medicare tax
net income
payroll deductions
P.Y.F.
Social Security tax
state income tax
taxes
variable expense

What You Will Learn to Do

- Outline a personal budget

Linked Core Abilities

- Take responsibility for your actions and choices

Skills and Knowledge You Will Gain Along the Way

- Identify the purpose of a budget
- Determine resources available for financial objectives
- Explain how to construct a simple budget
- Define the key words contained in this lesson

Introduction

What do you spend your money on? Do you take in more money than you spend, or do you find yourself needing to borrow money to make purchases? A budget is a useful way to help you identify where your money goes and figure out how to make the most of it. When you are in control of your spending, you are able to make your money work for you. In this learning plan you create a personal budget that will match your financial goals.

Note

You will find this lesson in your NEFE High School Financial Planning Program Student Guide.

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