

# Introduction into Personal Finance

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- Managing personal finance is one of the most important and crucial skills you should develop as an adult.
- Missed management of funds can impact your future and freedom. Having basic personal financial skills is one of the most important things you can do to live a healthy, happy and secure life.
- Your level of understanding around the fundamentals of budgeting, saving, debt and investing will impact every part of your life and can mean the difference between prosperity or poverty.



# Set up Financial Goals

- Write down one personal financial goal
- Decide if your goal is short-term, mid-term, or long-term, and create a timeline for that goal
- Determine how much money you need to save to reach your goal and separate that amount by the month and/or year
- Think of all ways you can reach that goal

## Examples of Financial Goals

1. Make a budget and live by it
2. Pay off credit card debt
3. Saving an emergency fund should be a top priority
4. Live below your means
5. Develop skills to improve your income
6. Improve your credit score



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# Personal Budgeting

- Personal finance skills help you to understand how much you earn, what are your monthly expenses, and help you to budget within that income
- Personal finance affects even the little necessary things like transport bills, and grocery



# Debt/Credit Management

- Know what you owe. If you're surrounded by unpaid **debts**, you may lose track of what you owe
- Schedule payments
- Implement payment strategies
- Plan to save
- Trim your budget
- Don't close paid-off credit card accounts
- Bring in part-time income
- Don't take on new **debt**



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# Wealth Management

- Making Money. Building wealth starts with **cash flow** – money coming in and money going out-
- Saving Money
- Making Wise Choices
- Investing into the market
- Buying real estate and assets



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# Estate Planning

- And finally estate planning
- Protects your assets for your family or others
- An estate plan can act as a safety net that helps preserve the value of your assets, minimizes wait times for disbursement, and helps ensure the legacy you envisioned is carried out.
- It is also important because you want to minimize estate taxes as much as possible

