**Bank Financial Education** 



# TEENS – BUDGET INSTRUCTIONS HOW TO USE YOUR MONTHLY BUDGET WORKSHEET

Budgeting is the process of making your needs and wants fit with the money you have. It can be difficult at times, but it is the key to making sure you have your money under control. Budgeting will help you reach you goals.

# Step 1: Identify Sources of Income

Job, babysitting, cutting grass, allowance, monetary gifts from Holiday, Birthday, Graduation

# Step 2: Track Your Spending

Record your expenses on the worksheet under appropriate categories. Every time you spend money, TRACK IT! Create new categories as needed.

# Step 3: Calculate How Much Excess or Deficit

Subtract your total expenses from your income to find how much is left over or in the negative.

# Step 4: Escalate Savings or Reduce Expenses

If you have money left over, CONGRATULATIONS, you budgeted well. Distribute your extra money towards your big-picture items in the Savings category. If you are in the negative, you must cut back on your expenses to avoid debt and in order to obtain your big-picture items.

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Monthly Budget Wor	ksheet					
	week 1	week 2	week 3	week 4	Total	
Entertainment						
					0	
					0	
					0	
					0	
Transportation						
					0	
					0	
					0	
					0	
Food						
					0	
					0	
Clothes						
					0	
					0	
					0	
Gifts						
					0	
					0	
Cell Phone						
					0	
Personal Care						
					0	
					0	
Other						
					0	
					0	
Savings for Big Pictur	re Items					
					0	
					0	
					0	
					0	
Weekly Totals	0	0	0	0	0	
		Monthly Total =			0	