# The Dollar & YOU

Understanding the True Role of the U.S. Dollar in Your Life

### What Is the Dollar, Really?

The U.S. Dollar isn't just money — it's a system of control. While it functions as currency, its real power lies in its global status as the world's reserve currency. This gives the U.S. government and its institutions immense leverage over international trade, global debt, and even the price of goods in your local store.

### Who Really Uses the Dollar?

Contrary to popular belief, institutions are the primary consumers of the dollar system — not everyday people. Banks, governments, and corporations trade in the billions daily, while the average person is taught only to earn, spend, and borrow. This imbalance keeps the public dependent and uninformed.

## Inflation, Debt & You

When more dollars are printed or injected into the economy (e.g., through stimulus or bailouts), the value of each dollar decreases. This devaluation hits workers and savers the hardest. While institutions can hedge through investments, most households cannot — leaving them more vulnerable to rising prices and stagnant wages.

#### What You Can Do

- 1. Learn how money works not just how to earn it.
- 2. Own assets that grow over time (stocks, ETFs, real estate).
- 3. Understand that saving alone won't protect you investing is essential.
- 4. Teach others what you've learned. Systemic change starts with shared knowledge.

The dollar isn't neutral. But understanding it is the first step in reclaiming your power within this system.

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