

Financial Wellness Toolkit for Victim Advocates

Resources to support you in your financial literacy and wellness.

Budgeting and Management

Creating a Budget

- Every Dollar: Budgeting App
- NerdWallet: Free Budget Template
- Monarch: Track, Budgeting and Planning App
- Conscious Spending Plan
- Best Expense Tracker Apps of 2025 (CNBC)

Savings and Emergency Funds

- High-Yield Savings Account (HYSA)
- Money Market Account (MMA)
- Cash Management Account (CMA)
- Types of Retirement Plans

Building & Understanding Credit

Managing Debt

- Fixing your Credit
- How to Get Out of Debt
- How to Pay Off Credit Card Debt: 5 Strategies

Protecting and Building Credit

- Federal Trade Commission
- Annual Credit Report
- Credit Freeze

Understanding Financial Assistance Programs

Government Assistance

- Benefits Overview
- Food Assistance
- State Housing Programs and Rental Assistance
- How Does Social Security Work?

Federal Student Loan Repayment Plans

- Federal Student Aid (Studentaid.gov)
- Income-Driven Repayment Plans Overview
- Debt Resolution Federal Student Aid

Understanding Health Insurance

Health Insurance Basics

- Health Care. gov
- Medicare
- Medic Aid [AP1]
- Health Insurance Information (NPR)

Other Types of Insurance

• Term Life Insurance

Resources for Continued Learning (Books/Podcasts/Courses)

- The 5 Types of Wealth, By: Sahil Bloom (Book)
- Afford Anything (YouTube/Podcast)
- Capital One & Khan Academy's FREE Financial Literacy Course
- How to Money (Podcast & Newsletter)
- <u>IBR</u> (Investing Basic Rules)
- Money.com (Newsletter)
- Money for Couples (Book)
- <u>The Ramsey Show</u> (YouTube Channel)
- Ramit Sethi:
 - o <u>I Will Teach You to Be Rich</u> (YouTube/Spotify)
 - o <u>I Will Teach You to Be Rich (Book)</u>
 - o How to Get Rich (Netflix)
- <u>The Total Money Makeover</u> (Book)
- <u>Two Cents</u> (YouTube Channel)

• <u>Ladies Get Paid</u> (YouTube Channel/Book) Claire Wasserman