How to budget your money?

## "Budget Busters"

- Give yourself five points if you have a budget.
- Give yourself five points if you have a checkbook.
- Deduct a point if you have ever bounced a check.

- Deduct a point if you bought something this week without comparison shopping.
- Give yourself a pint if you bought a store brand, rather than a name brand item this week.
- Give yourself five points if you have a savings account.
- Give yourself five points if you added any money to your savings account this week.
- Give yourself five points if you pay your own car insurance (or part of it)
- Deduct five points if you routinely carry more than $\$ 10.00$ in your purse or wallet.
- Give yourself five points if you have a method of recording what you spend.


## "Some Money Facts"

- \$ The average person spends money three times a day.
- \$ A movie with popcorn and a soft drink can easily cost \$20
- \$ Just one soft drink a day for .99c adds up to \$361.35 in a year
」 \$ What's the biggest expense item for teenagers? FOOD!


## Money Matters:

- How many times a day do you spend money?
- The average person spends money 6 times a day.
- Money brings happiness - Money problems bring unhappiness
- Money problems stay with you for the rest of your life.
- Top reason for divorce is financial. Finances affects everything else in your life.


## 2001 in Utah

- Nearly 94,000 people under 25 filed for bankruptcy
- Average in the US is 1 in 69 file for bankruptcy
- Average in Utah is 1 in 34 file for bankruptcy
- Rise in 18-25 year olds moving back in with parents
- College students have $\$ 3,000$ in credit card debt $10 \%$ owe $\$ 10,000$ or more in credit card debt
- Chapter 7 bankruptcy - no payment necessary
- Chapter 13 bankruptcy - set up payment plan to pay back
. 5,539 in 2003 filled for bankruptcy by April
- The cost of living in Utah is the same as the national average
- The average income in Utah is below the national average
- Teens Today - Spend and Influence $\$ 172$ billion annually (\$105 of own money, \$48 of family money)

Average of $\$ 104$ per week
Without a monthly check most families would last 1 to 2 mos.

## Personal Savings

-     - does not include 401 K , retirement, etc. this is for emergency, unplanned bills. If you don't a lot of people turn to their retirement which is penalized and taxed heavily and you end up owing more money. We always come up with a good reason not to save.
- $87 \%$ of retires are retiring with $\$ 10,000$ or less
- Wealth is not what you spend but your net worth or accumulative wealth, what you have.
- $80 \%$ of millionaires have accumulated slow and steady
- What is the portrait of a millionaire?

Live in same city/town for over 20 years
Live below their means
Married 1 time and still married
Usually owns a chain of stores or similar

- At age 20 if you save $\$ 200.00$ a month at $10 \%$ interest you will be a millionaire by the age of 55 .


## Ways to lmprove your finances

- Make more money
- Cut your expenses
- "Wait and win the lottery" system
- Have a budget



## Discussion:

- What is a Budget?
- Why do you have a budget?


## Budgeting Terms

- Budgeting
- money management
- gross income
- net income
- bank accounts
- joint bank account
- separate bank account
- fixed
- expenses
- flexible expenses


# What is included in a budget for a family in a given month? 

- The typical family spend their money? Housing 14\% Recreation 7\%
Food 22\% Medical/Dental 8\% Clothing 10\% Transportation 14\%
Personal 2\%
Utilifies, Home 14\%
Other
9\%


## Improvements

## Family Budget Activity:

- For the next four days you will create a monthly budget project for a family using the monthly income of \$4,000 per month (1 day=1 week, so groups get installments of $\$ 1,000$ each day (week), which you will have to deposit in order to use.)

