



FINANCIAL TIPS FOR A THRIVING SUMMER SEASON

- 1. Budgeting for Summer Fun: Summer often comes with a variety of activities, from vacations and road trips to outdoor dining and entertainment. It's crucial to plan ahead and establish a summer budget to ensure you can enjoy these experiences without straining your finances. Set spending limits for each category and track your expenses throughout the season to stay on track.
- 2. Smart Vacation Planning: Before embarking on a well-deserved vacation, take a moment to review your financial situation. Consider your travel budget, accommodation costs, transportation expenses, and any other potential expenses. Look for ways to save, such as booking in advance, comparing prices, or opting for travel rewards programs. Additionally, notify your credit union of your travel plans to prevent any disruptions to your card usage.
- 3. **Protecting Your Identity:** Summer is a prime time for identity theft and fraud. Safeguard your personal information by being cautious when using public Wi-Fi networks, monitoring your financial accounts regularly, and keeping your personal documents secure. Stay vigilant and report any suspicious activity immediately to your credit union.
- 4. Managing Credit Card Debt: While it can be tempting to rely on credit cards for summer purchases, it's essential to keep your credit card balances in check. Pay off your balances in full whenever possible to avoid unnecessary interest charges. If you have accumulated credit card debt, consider developing a repayment plan to reduce it systematically and minimize financial stress.
- 5. Saving Energy and Money: With higher temperatures and increased energy usage during the summer months, it's crucial to find ways to conserve energy and reduce utility bills. Simple steps such as adjusting your thermostat, utilizing natural light, and unplugging electronic devices when not in use can make a significant difference. Explore energy-efficient alternatives like LED lighting and programmable thermostats to further reduce your energy costs.
- 6. Maximizing Your Membership Benefits: As a member of our credit union, you have access to a wide range of benefits and services. Take advantage of our online and mobile banking platforms to conveniently manage your finances from anywhere. Explore our savings and investment options to grow your wealth. Additionally, stay informed about exclusive promotions, discounts, and events offered specifically to credit union members.

As the summer season unfolds, remember that your credit union is here to support your financial well-being every step of the way. By budgeting wisely, protecting your identity, managing debt, conserving energy, and leveraging your membership benefits, you can make the most of this vibrant season while ensuring your financial stability. Enjoy your summer and remember to reach out to our friendly team for any financial assistance or guidance you may need.

July-September Member Match Organizations

FOR EVERY NEW MEMBERSHIP OPENED AT MONROE COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION IN 2023 WE WILL MATCH THE INITIAL \$5 DEPOSIT REQUIRED TO JOIN OUR COOPERATIVE AND DONATE \$5 ON BEHALF OF OUR NEW MEMBER.









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Board Member Spotlight

As a lifelong resident deeply rooted in our community, I proudly serve as a dedicated board member. With a strong belief in the multitude of opportunities available, from employment and education at institutions like MCCC to the enjoyment of concerts in the park and our beautiful State Park, I am grateful to be part of such a thriving community. Collaborating with fellow board members, our mission is to serve the community with a harmonious blend of traditional values, cutting-edge technology, and competitive rates. I am Connie Ochs committed to upholding these values, embracing innovation, and ensuring the best possible service for our residents. It is an honor to contribute to our community's growth, while always keeping the needs and aspirations of our residents at the forefront of my endeavors.



Upcoming Holiday Closures:

4th of July: Tuesday, July 4th



Financial Reality Fair June 6th at Monroe High School Thank you to all of our amazing volunteers for making this event incredibly successful!



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