# **Building Your Financial House**

The Framework

Win \$500!

### Join us to build yours!

The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency's "Building Your Financial House" (BYFH) is a comprehensive financial education program dedicated to help participants build a strong financial foundation and a brighter future!

Think financial education is boring and just about budgeting? The program uses simple language, real life examples, tools for practicing financial skills, and FUN to address the seven topics to building your financial house.

The program starts in September (2024) and runs through May (2025). Each monthly 90-minute live virtual session is **free** and held from 6:00 - 7:30 pm on the third Wednesday of every month, except December.

Click the button below to register for the program. In order to receive a Certificate of Achievement AND a chance to win \*\*\*\$500\*\*\* perfect attendance award, you MUST attend each session, no exceptions.

Questions? Contact Patricia Washington: pwashington@phfa.org.

REGISTER NOW

#### **SEPTEMBER: Invest in Yourself**

The first step of building your financial house is investing in yourself! Learn about personal assets (education, skills and talents, personality, and connections) can increase your earning potential. Setting priorities and SMART financial goals are also part of the process. **September 18th** 

#### **NOVEMBER: Spend Sensibly**

Don't like to budget, join the club! Create a money map instead to take control of your money, manage cash flow, and reach your goals. Learn about how mainstream banking and financial technology can help as well!

November 13th

## **FEBRUARY:** Make Money WorkTake the next step and get your

money working for you! Learn about stocks, bonds, and mutual funds, their risks and their rewards. Find out how investing is accessible to EVERYONE! **February 19th** 

#### **APRIL: Borrow to Grow**

Credit. It's *other people's money*! Learn how to get, use, and manage credit responsibly and improve your financial picture.

April 16th

#### **OCTOBER: Maximize Earnings**

Who is FICA and why is he taking my money? Learn how to review your pay statement, evaluate and choose the right employee benefits, tax withholding, and things to consider before jumping ship to another job.

October 16th

#### **JANUARY 2025: Check Taxes**

No one wants to pay more than their fair share of taxes. Do you know how much of your income is really taxed? Learn about the progressive tax, components of a1040, and preparers.

January 15th

#### **MARCH: Protect Your Potential**

Protect your financial potential. Learn about building an emergency fund, managing risk, and having the right insurance. Tap into consumer protection resources and ways to keep yourself safe before, during, and after a financial transaction.

March 19th

#### **MAY: Summary and Celebration**

It's Graduation Day! The final session provides an overview of topics and lessons along with the opportunity to share your successes and earn a **Certificate of Achievement!**May 21st

