



Visit the Library all week for fun and informational programs on how to be smart with your money.

The Library has partnered with area banks, financial institutions and businesses for a series of helpful seminars about your money — from saving it to spending it wisely. The programs are free, and there's something for every age group.

Saturday, April 2

Document Disposal Day – Bring your sensitive documents to the Library for safe disposal, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Library Center parking lot. *Presenter: EDCO Group, Inc.*

Financial Planning...Your Roadmap to Financial Freedom – Come for an informative session on financial planning and learn the six steps to financial freedom. Refreshments provided, 10-11 a.m. Library Center meeting room A. *Presenter: Pinnacle Family Advisors, LLC*

Estate and Legacy Planning: It's More Than Just Money and Trusts – Join a discussion about ways to effectively pass on wealth and how to leave a legacy with it, 11 a.m.-noon, Library Center meeting room A. *Presenter: Pinnacle Family Advisors, LLC*

'Tweens Feed the Piggy Bank! – Action-packed, interactive lessons will cover “paying yourself first,” using the power of compound interest to grow your money, and choosing the best savings options to meet your goals. “Tweens get ready to feed your piggy banks and see your money grow! 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Library Center meeting room B. *Presenter: BancorpSouth*

Money Smart Family – Learn how a normal family changed its way of thinking and changed its financial future using steps you can apply to your own life, 1-2:30 p.m. Library Center meeting room A. *Presenter: Paul Kelley of KGBX*

Dollars and Cents – Children can find out ways you can be smart about using money, enjoy an activity and make your own coin bank. 2 p.m. Willard Branch, for grades K-5. Registration begins March 5, call 742-4258. *Presenter: Springfield-Greene County Library District*

Identity Theft — Don't Be a Victim – Learn what identity theft is, how to protect yourself and what to do if your identity is stolen, 2-3 p.m. Library Center meeting room B. *Presenter: Commerce Bank*

Mortgage Workshop 101 – Learn how to qualify for home loans in a changing lending environment, 3-4 p.m. Library Center meeting room A. *Presenter: Guaranty Bank*

Buying/Selling a Home in the Current Market – Learn what to expect when buying/selling your home, 1:30-2:30

p.m. Library Station Santa Fe Room. *Presenter: Community Partnership of the Ozarks*

Sunday, April 3

Credit Basics – What's in your credit report? What is a credit score? What affects your credit score? Get the answers and learn how to improve your credit score, 2-3 p.m. Library Station Frisco Room. *Presenter: Community Financial Credit Union*

Monday, April 4

How to Get Financially Fit – Get help in budget planning, setting goals and getting financially fit, 6-7:30 p.m. Midtown Carnegie Branch Library upstairs community room. *Presenter: University of Missouri Extension*

Tuesday, April 5

First-Time Homebuyer – Find out if you are qualified for a first-time homebuyer program, and what to do before applying, 4-5 p.m. Library Station Santa Fe Room. *Presenter: Empire Bank*

Free Credit Report/Credit Improvement – Learn how to improve your credit and take home a copy of your free credit report, 5-6 p.m. Republic Branch. *Presenter: Empire Bank and The Edge Community Technology Center*

Wednesday, April 6

Coupon Moms – Learn how to use coupons and other tricks to save money. While you're there, your kids can attend a “Max and Ruby Bunny Money” Storytime, 10-11 a.m. Republic Branch. *Presenter: Springfield-Greene County Library District*

Identity Theft Protection – Learn how to bank, shop and spend wisely to combat identity theft, noon-1 p.m., Brentwood Branch community room. *Presenter: BancorpSouth*

Managing Your Money Wisely: Tracking Your Money – Learn to create a budget, cut expenses, spend less, stay out of debt and set financial goals, 2-3 p.m. Library Station Frisco Room. *Presenter: Consumer Credit Counseling Service*

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Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association

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Western & Southern Life

Good Credit: Build It and Keep It – Learn the importance of building and keeping a good credit history, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Library Station Frisco Room, *Presenter: Consumer Credit Counseling Service*

Thursday, April 7

Credit: Establishing, Managing and Protecting Your Good Name – Learn how to safely establish credit or rebuild it, and how to keep your credit and identity secure, 3-4 p.m. Brentwood Branch. *Presenter: TelComm Credit Union*

Banking 101 for Teens – Teens, learn how to manage your money! This covers checking accounts, making deposits, making withdrawals, banking channels, balancing your account, check cards, using the ATM, card and PIN safety, writing checks, online banking, credit cards, student loans, car loans, credit scores, fraud and identity protection, 3 p.m. Midtown Carnegie Branch community room, *Presented by: Commerce Bank*

Cha-ching! – Tired of being broke? Teens, find out how to set up a budget and keep cash in your pocket or piggy bank. Also, learn ways to start and advertise your own summer business. 3 p.m. Willard Branch, grades 7-12. *Presenter: Springfield-Greene County Library District*

NXT Financial Chapter – 20- and 30-somethings can learn little-known “gems” about budgeting, home mortgages, credit and more, 6-7:30 p.m. Library Center Harrison Room. *Presenter: BancorpSouth*

Friday, April 8

Consumer Information on the Web – Learn how to find the best websites for useful consumer information, product and service hotlines, 1-3 p.m. in the Edge Community Technology Center at Midtown Carnegie Branch. Registration required, call The Edge at 837-5011. *Presenter: Springfield-Greene County Library District*

This Friday: Learning for Earning – Whether you’re preparing to move out on your own or you’re getting ready for your summer job, this session has lots of useful tips, 6-8 p.m., Library Station Santa Fe Room. *Presenter: Springfield-Greene County Library District*


Saturday, April 9

Estate Planning – Understand the 12 common mistakes in estate and business succession planning, 1-2 p.m. Library Center meeting room A. *Presenter: Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association*

Budgeting Life Insurance – Learn the importance of including life insurance in your budget and preparing for the unexpected for yourself and loved ones, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Library Center meeting room A. *Presenter: Western & Southern Life*

Bunny Money: Money Smarts for Kids and Families – Children will pick up money smarts by shopping with bunny money and hearing a story about smart money habits, 1:30-2:30 p.m. Library Center Story Hour Room, Preschool-grade 3. *Presenter: Metro Credit Union*

Teen Tips: Making the Most of Your Money – Teens and young adults will pick up helpful tips about budgeting and setting goals, using credit effectively and making the most of online tools, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Library Center Story Hour Room. *Presenter: Metro Credit Union*

Some Money Smart Week events are marked by this symbol in the program listings. 

Money Smart Week is a national public awareness campaign designed to help consumers better manage their personal finances.

It is a partnership of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, the American Library Association and the Springfield-Greene County Library District.

