# Bling on a Budget (and much more)



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What is the most important number in your financial life?

Take home pay

- Expenses

**Financial FUEL** 

## 7 Tank System





2 1-Month Emergency Fund

3 Payoff Bad Debt

4 3-6 Month Emergency Fund

5 20% Gross to Retirement

6 College Savings\*

7 Bucket List\*



What Budgeting Really Means

**Budgeting Process** 

Pitfalls and Tips

Getting Started

#### Think budget...



# Restrictive Her Thing Awareness Envelopes Spending plan Fun Frugal Save Stressful Arguments

### What budget really means

Calculation		Example
Your Monthly Income <sup>1</sup>	\$	5,000
(minus) Your Monthly Expenses	\$	4,500
= Your Monthly Financial Fuel		500

Did you get your projected Fuel? = Budget

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<sup>1</sup>After taxes, insurance, etc. Only cash that hits your account

# Fuel does not care where you spend your money .....it only cares how much

## It's about data



Edit	Envelopes	ľ
Last Sync: <1m ago		All Envelopes: 808.34
Monthly Envelopes		500.00
Cell Phone		0.00
Groceries		100.00 300.00
Rent		0.00
Eating Out		70.00 150.00
Gas		20.00
Entertainment		25.00

75.00

#### Active budgeting is about knowing 'what's left' to stay on track

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#### You need data to make decisions /<sup>th</sup> of the month

Ciotning/Accessories





# Allows you to 'fix' the situation

# Gives boundaries (<u>eyes wide open</u>)



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#### How do you budget?

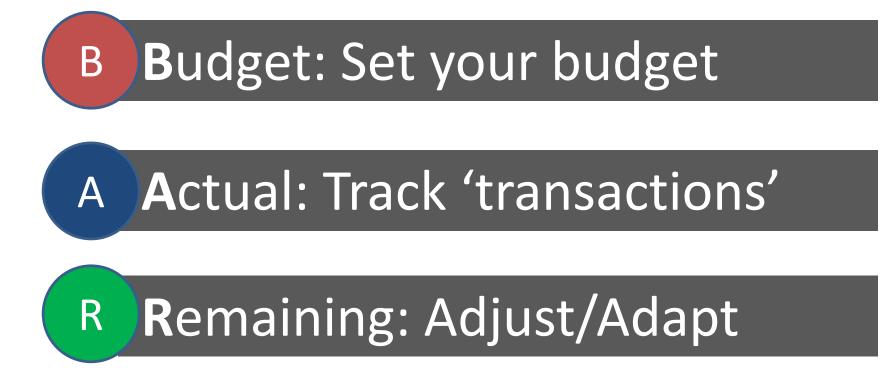
















#### **Monthly Budget**

	% of Budget	Example
Take Home Pay		\$6,000
Mortgage	30%	\$1,800
Car	5%	\$300
Financial Fuel	10%	\$600
For Everything Else	55%	\$3,300





# Income (take home)

- Fixed Expenses
- Fuel

= 0

- Everything else

Category	Amount
Income	\$6,000
(minus ) Fixed Expenses	
Mortgage	\$1,800
Car + Insurance	\$450
Utilities	\$250
Cell Phone	\$150
(minus) Financial Fuel	
Fuel	\$600
(minus) Everything else	
Groceries	\$1,050
Eating out and clothing	\$1,200
Vacation savings	\$500
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Mortgage	\$1,500	
Utilities	\$250	
Cell Phone	\$150	
Groceries	\$500	
Bills / Debt	\$225	
Entertainment	\$400	
Clothing	\$200	
Eating Out	\$300	

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Maria	\$450
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#### Discretionary budgets for each other

## A Actual: Enter transactions

← Add Trans	action	~	:
Payee			
Costco Wholesale	9		
Amount			_
27.55	Ex	pense	-
Envelope			
Groceries [46.27	left]		<b>.</b>
Account			
My Account [56	My Account [563.84]		•
Date	Date Check #		- 1
09/12/2015	(Optiona	al)	- 1
Note			
(Optional)			_
Add to Quick Transactions widget			_
(edit from Settings)			_
Save location to transaction			

# Enter amount, description and category

# Automate or manual?

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# R Remaining: Adapt/Adjust

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Eating Out		70.00
		150.00
Gas		20.00
		100.00
Entertainment		25.00
		100.00
Loan Payments		100.00
		100.00
Clothing/Access	ories	-5.00
		75.00

- Reduce food purchases
- Lower another category
- Make more
- Do nothing

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# Things that throw you off













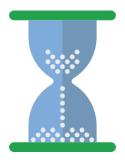








#### AUTOSAVE



1 MIN / DAY

#### FOCUS ON HOW MUCH



#### SHORTEN TIMEFRAMES

# Struggling? Go Cash only

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#### Track weekly; debit/cash only

	Transaction	Amount	Balance
1/24	Beginning		\$205
1/25	Lunch (\$10) Gas for car (\$20)	(\$10)	\$195
1/25	Gas for car	(\$20)	\$175
1/26	Payday	+\$800	\$975
1/31			\$350

#### Income

- Work overtime
- Sell stuff
- Uber?
- Invoice to your kids

#### Expenses

- Cable (internet only)
- Cell phone (\$60/month/adult)
- Eating out
- Vacation (Airbnb)

Financial sacrifices are temporary. Financial freedom is forever.



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Good apps

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#### The Problem





# **Client:** I'm trying to plan for retirement. How much do I need to save?



**Advisor:** No problem. Just tell me when you're going to die.



Source	Monthly Amount (for life)
Social Security	
Pension	
Your Savings	
Working	
Passive Income / Other	
Total Income	



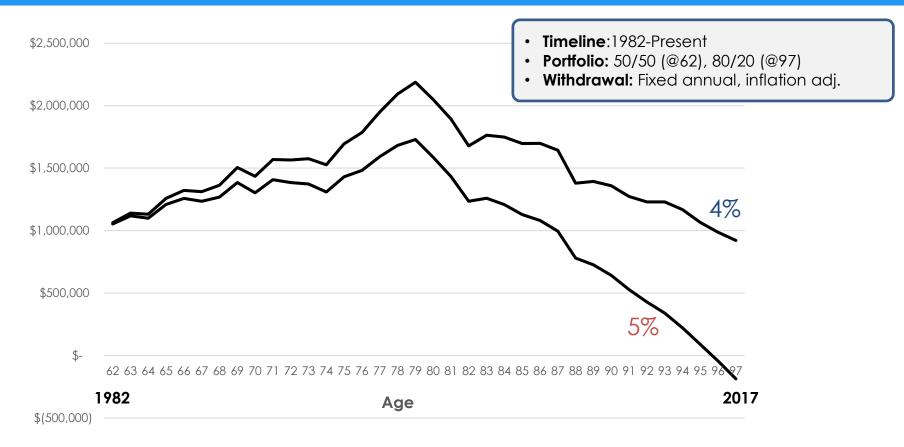




Savings Today	\$100,000
+ Estimated Future Savings (contributions + growth)	\$200,000
= Total Savings at Retirement	\$300,000
X Safe Withdrawal Rate	4%
= Annual withdrawal to spend	\$12,000
/ Months per year	
= Monthly withdrawal to spend	\$1,000

#### Understanding 4% Rule

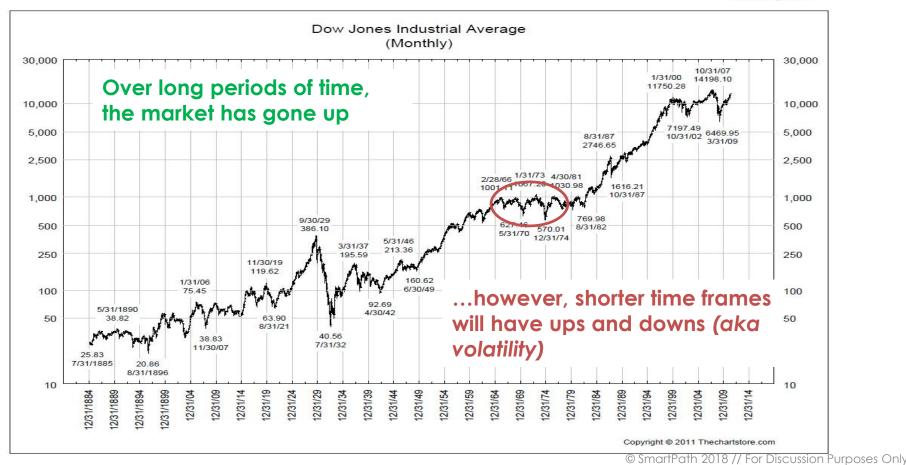
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## A Look at History



Data as of April 2011



#### Market Returns





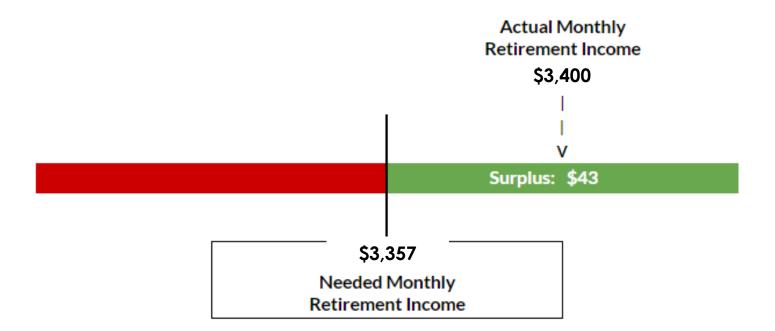


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Social Security	\$1,800
Pension	\$600
Your Savings	\$1,000
Working	\$0
Passive Income / Other	\$0
Total Income	\$3,400for life



Expense	Consideration	
Housing	Remove Principal + Interest payment if mortgage will be paid off	
Debt	Remove debt payments if you will be debt free	
Utilities	Assume the same	
Food / Entertainment	Assume the same	
Transportation	Remove car payment if car will be paid off; assume same for gas & insurance	
Travel	Your choice	
Medical	Add \$700/household	
Total Expenses	Average = 75% of current expenses	





## Off track: Options





Cut expenses + save more 🔿 Eliminate debt, budget to 80%



Wait a few years  $\implies$  8% increase per year



- Side hustle in retirement
- Consulting; passive income

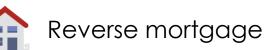
5% early; re-evaluate every 3 yrs



- Withdraw more



Riskier portfolio



- More equities
- → Low mortgage; last resort

## On Track: Find Advisor



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Question	Ideal Answer
What do you do?	Ideally concise and easy to understand. If you get lost at this point, understand it may not get much better
How do you get paid? (fee structure)	Easy to understand. Direct. Expect 1% of investable assets or ~\$200-250 per hour
What do you believe is the purpose of money?	Must match yours. You will likely pass down wealth. It's important you and your advisor agree on the purpose of money as you make those decisions.
More tactical stuff	1.Process with clients (timeline) 2.Referral (to other support) network 3.Things they don't do

Investments, drawdown strategies, minimize taxes, etc.

#### Objectives

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Money to grow

Don't lose my money

Let my money work for me

Maximize returns

Retire comfortably

Build wealth

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#### Loss Aversion



#### Pleasure from \$20 Gain

#### Pain From \$20 Loss

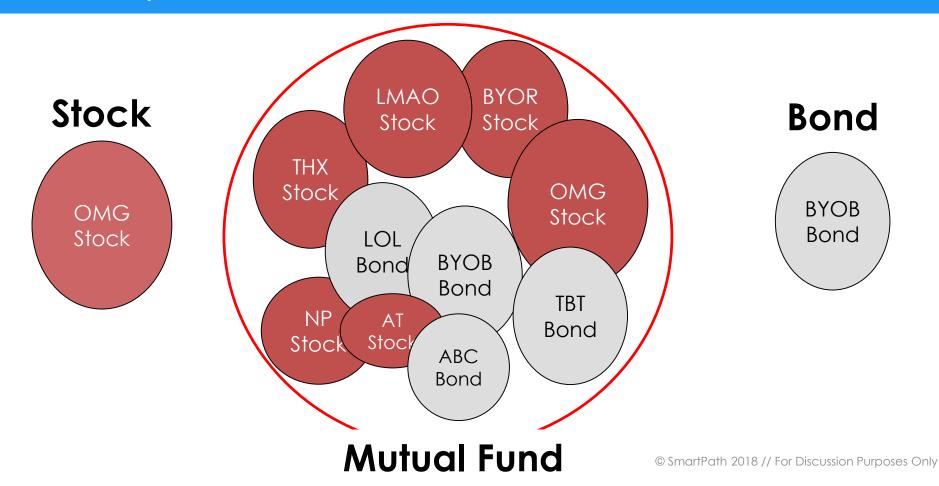
#### Segment your money



	Vacation	Downpmt for house	Emergency	College / Retirement
Time Horizon	<1yr	1-3 yrs	1 month: <1 yr 6 month: >5 yrs	By age
Risk Level	Low	Low	Low and moderate	High to Low

Diversify





## **Retirement Investing**

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# (1) Which <u>type</u> of retirement account?

# (2) Which <u>investments</u> are best for you?

#### Employer Plan vs. IRA Roth vs. Traditional





# Decide on your **'risk' level**

# 2 Get risk and fees for each fund

# 4 Select your investments

# 5 **Buy** monthly



#### Collective Goals

#### Individual Freedom



#### Shared Control

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## 6 Collective Goals



#### Goal

- Shared strategy
- 2 Avoid house poor
- 3 Payoff bad debt
- 4 Number of kids
- 5 Save for retirement Match + 20% of Gross

Vacations Define an annual budget

#### Suggestion

- Fuel & 7-Tank System
- PITI < 30% of take home pay
- All except mortgage and car
- Cost per child

#### Individual Freedom

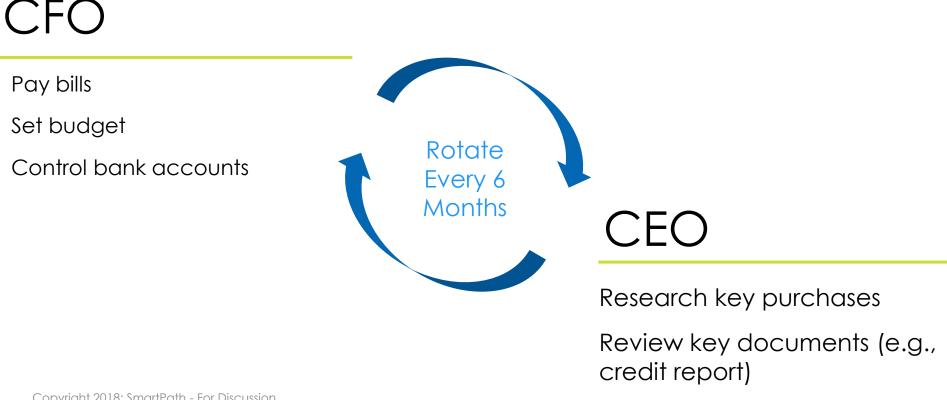
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## Shared Control: CEO/CFO Switch



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#### Which one is it?

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