# **Financial Management Toolkit**

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## **BUDGET CHECKLIST**

INCOME		KIDS	PETS
Salary (paycheck)		Extra-curricular Activities	Vet Visits
Side Hustle Income		Toys	Pet Food
Bonuses		Allowance	Pet Toys
Tips		Tuition	Pet Medications
Alimony (received)		School Uniforms	 4
Gifts (received)		Babysitter	DEBT
		Child Support (paid)	Credit Card Debt
FOOD			Student Loans
Groceries		•	Personal Loans
Restaurants	Restaurants		Car Payments
		Hospital Visits	Alimony
PERSONAL CARE		Dentist Visits	
Haircuts / Barber		Prescriptions / Medications	 •
Cosmetics		Over-The-Counter Meds	
Nail Salon		Glasses / Contacts	
Messages / Spa		Vitamins / Supplements	
		Additional Costs (semi-private / private rooms, etc.)	
GIVING		!	
Charity / Donations		FUN MONEY	
•		Movies / Concerts	
TRANSPORTATION		Bars / Going Out	
Public Transportation		Books	
Uber / Lyft		New Technology	
Fuel / Gas		Gaming / Hobbies	
Car Maintenance / Repairs			
Car Loan / Annual Fees		GIFTS	
Roadside Assistance		Holiday Gifts	
		Birthday Gifts	
SUBSCRIPTIONS		Wedding / Shower Gifts	
Gym Memberships		,	
Magazines		UTILITIES	
Professional Society Fees		Internet / Cable	
Netflix / Prime / Disney+		Phone Plan	
Amazon Prime		Heating / Natural Gas	
Music (Spotify)		Water / Electricity	
Software Subscription		Waste Disposal	
Identity Theft Protection		,	
		INSURANCE	
		Medical Insurance	
HOUSING		Dental Insurance	
Rent		Vision Insurance	
Mortgage		Mortgage Insurance	
HOA Fees		Renters Insurance	
Home Maintenance / Repairs		Car Insurance	
Home Improvement / Upgrades		Life Insurance	
Property Taxes		Property Insurance	
Home Warranty		Disability Insurance	
Lawn Care		Long-Term Care Insurance	
Home Security Services		•	
		HOUSE SUPPLIES	
		Cleaning Supplies	
CLOTHING		Paper Products & Reusable Cloths	
Adult Clothing		Tools	
Kid Clothing		Furniture	
Dry Cleaning		Home Décor	
Specialty Clothing (UV Protected)			

### FINANCIAL PLANNING CHECKLIST

## BELOW ARE THE TOP SIX CATEGORIES THAT REPRESENT THE SIX BASIC COMPONENTS OF A COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL STRATEGY.

- Step 1. Gather all of your documents in one place. Use the categories below to guide you to help you find what you need.
- Step 2. Prioritize the six categories that are most important to you. Take note of areas you feel less confident about and mark them for discussion.
- **Step 3.** Once you have familiarized yourself with your finances as best as you can, seek out a Financial Professional (like a Financial Advisor) and discuss the areas where you have marked.
- Step 4. Review your Financial Plan against your priorities and continue to add or adjust

INVESTMENTS	ESTATE PLANS	RETIREMENT PLANS	INSURANCE	DEBT MANAGEMENT	FAMILY ASSISTANCE
Asset Allocation	Wills	RRSPs	Long-Term Care	Consumer	Tuition / RESP
Long-Term	Trusts	Employer Sponsored	Disability	Mortgage	Living Expenses
Immediate-Term	Heirs	Annuities	Health	Debt	Long-Term Elder Care
Short-Term	Charities	Investments	Life	I	I
Cash Flows					

#### **BENEFITS CHECKLIST**

Benefits are an important part of an employee's compensation package. Some elements of a benefits package are legislated, while others are offered to be competitive. Both can provide peace of mind for you and your family.

Health insurance (e.g., coverage for medications, physiotherapy, upgraded hospital care)
Employee assistance programs
Vision care
Dental Insurance
Additional vacation allotments above that required by the Ontario Employment Standards Act
Paid Sick Days
Short-Term Disability Insurance
Long-Term Disability Insurance
Group RRSP or Pension Plans (separate from Canada Pension Plan)
Education & Training
Flexible Work Arrangements