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Banking

US Department of VA

The US Department of VA offer Veterans and service members safe, reliable and inexpensive ways to receive and manage their VA monetary benefits through banking institutions that specialize in services for military personnel, Veterans and their families through federally-insured financial products, services and education. VA's collaboration with AMBA will leverage its consortium of military-friendly financial institutions that cater to service members.

<https://benefits.va.gov/BENEFITS/banking.asp>

Bankruptcy

The City Bar Justice Center's Consumer Bankruptcy Project

The Consumer Bankruptcy Project provides legal assistance to low-income consumers city wide with outstanding debts and assists debtors filing pro se bankruptcy petitions.

<https://www.citybarjusticecenter.org/projects/consumer-bankruptcy-project/>

Is Bankruptcy Right For You? – A City Bar Justice Center Publication

This is a PDF handbook about the process of filing for bankruptcy and whether it is a option for you.

<https://www.citybarjusticecenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/Personal-Bankruptcy-English-2019.pdf>

Financial Counseling

Take Charge America

Take Charge America has credit counseling for free. Services they offer:

- Personal guidance and support from certified counselors
- Customized budget and action plan just for you
- Free educational resources for developing effective spending habits
- Debt management solutions if you need additional help

<https://www.takechargeamerica.org/debt-help/credit-counseling/>

The Financial Clinic

The Financial Clinic provides clients with legal support and financial counseling through: resolution of financial crises with legal and advocacy services; financial coaching and action plans that reduce debt, improve credit, build assets, and realize financial goals; year-round tax advice and preparation services; and connection to community-based financial products and services.

<https://thefinancialclinic.org/>

VeteransPlus

VeteransPlus programs is designed by Veterans and are delivered by Veterans to provide practical financial solutions geared to real life circumstances of current and former military personnel.

<https://www.veteransplus.org/>

NYC Financial Empowerment Centers

The New York City Consumer Affairs department offers free financial counseling sessions.

<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dca/consumers/get-free-financial-counseling.page>

Financial Literacy

Budgeting PDF's

These PDFs teach the importance prioritizing bills and can be used as your personal budget.

https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/documents/cfpb_your-money-your-goals_prioritizing-bills_tool.pdf

<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/pdf-1020-make-budget-worksheet.pdf>

Veterans Benefits Administration

The U.S department of Veteran Affairs offers a wide variety of resources to help Veterans, service members and families get smart about their financial lives at every stage of the military life-cycle.

<https://benefits.va.gov/benefits/financial-literacy.asp>

<https://benefits.va.gov/BENEFITS/factsheets/financial-literacy/financial-education.pdf>