

MORTGAGES

Bankrate

<http://bankrate.com>

Quick and easy comparison of mortgage and home equity rate offerings. News and analysis of mortgage rate trends.

FannieMaeKnowYourOptions

<http://knowyouroptions.com>

If you are struggling with your mortgage payments or facing foreclosure, Fannie Mae has created KnowYourOptions.com; so you can find the information you need, and get help before it's too late.



RETIREMENT

Get Rich Slowly: How to Start a Roth IRA

<http://getrichslowly.org/blog/2007/06/07/how-to-start-a-roth-ira-and-where-to-do-it/>

Describes how to start an IRA and where to start it.

Social Security

<http://www.socialsecurity.gov>

U.S. Social Security Administration ... it is all there, how to apply, how to estimate your social security income, Medicare, etc. Sign in or create your *My Social Security Account*.

United States Department of Labor: Retirement Plans. Benefits & Savings

<http://www.dol.gov/general/topic/retirement>

Explains different types of retirement plans, i.e. 401ks, 403bs



FINANCIAL LITERACY

Personal financial literacy is not just being able to balance a checkbook or compare prices. It also includes skills like long-term vision, planning for the future, where to locate resources and the discipline to use these skills every day. The websites listed are some great sources to get you started.

BANKING AND CREDIT FDIC's Money Smart, A Financial Education Program

<http://www.fdic.gov/consumers>

Money Smart is a comprehensive financial education curriculum designed to help low- and moderate-income individuals outside the financial mainstream enhance their financial skills and create positive banking relationships.

Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago: Consumer Resources

<http://www.Chicagofed.org/education/index>

Links to a variety of agencies and tools intended to aid consumers navigate an increasingly complicated banking landscape.

HelpWithMyBank.gov

<http://www.helpwithmybank.gov>

Answers and solutions for most banking and credit card issues.



BUDGETING & SPENDING

360 Degrees of Financial Literacy

<http://www.360financialliteracy.org>

360 Degrees of Financial Literacy is a national volunteer effort of the nation's Certified Public Accountants to help Americans understand their personal finances and develop money management skills.

GCF Learnfree.org Money Basics

<http://gcflearnfree.org/moneybasics>

Short tutorials on money management, banking and retirement, and money in the marketplace topics such as shopping, renting, budgeting.

Money As You Grow: 20 Things Kids Need to Know to Live Financially Smart Lives

<http://www.moneyasyougrow.org>

Age-appropriate financial lessons with corresponding activities that kids need to know as they grow. Families can use *Money as You Grow* to start a dialogue about money and teach kids important lessons about saving, making choices, and avoiding debts.



IDENTITY THEFT

Federal Trade Commission Consumer Education

<http://consumer.ftc.gov>

Everything you need to know about different kinds of identity theft and how to protect yourself.

Identity Theft Resource Center

<http://www.idtheftcenter.org>

Provides best-in-class victim assistance, at no-charge, to consumers throughout the United States, and to educate consumers, corporations, government agencies, and other organizations on best practices for fraud and identity theft detection, reduction and mitigation.



INSURANCE AND INVESTMENTS

FINRA Investor Education Foundation

<http://www.finrafoundation.org>

The FINRA Investor Education Foundation provides underserved Americans with the knowledge, skills and tools necessary for financial success throughout life.

Long Term Care (LTC) Information (Dept of Health & Human Services)

<http://longtermcare.gov>

This website discusses types of long-term care services, how much they cost, and how to plan ahead for LTC needs.

Morningstar

<http://www.morningstar.com>

Provides information and performance analyses of mutual funds and other securities.

