



State Employee Financial Wellness Program



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The Employee Financial Wellness Program is accepting ideas and topics regarding future employee financial wellness newsletters and events. Please submit your ideas to EmployeeEvents@dhrm.virginia.gov.

"An investment in knowledge pays the best interest." - Benjamin Franklin



Do you want to start off the new year right? Please check out the CommonHealth video below on starting off smart in the new year!

[Start Smart in 2024!](#)

Do you know your financial health score?

Understanding your financial health is the first step to improving it. Evaluate your spending, saving, borrowing, and planning habits to set yourself up for success.

[Click Here](#) to Take a FREE Financial Health Check Up, provided by VACU.

ALL ABOUT THAT MONEY TUESDAYS

Are you thinking about purchasing a home soon? Employees are encourage to register below and join us for a **30-minute "Home Buying"** session, presented by the **Virginia Credit Union. Tuesday, February 20th**

12 p.m. & 12:30 p.m.

[Register here to RSVP](#)

101 N. 14th Street, 1st Floor

Conference Room B

James Monroe Building,

Richmond, VA

Employees may bring their own lunch and snacks will also be provided.



Virginia Retirement System[®]

Planning To Retire Soon?

If you're within a few years of retiring, watch ["On the Home Stretch to Retirement"](#) to financially prepare for the next step of your journey. The two-minute video walks you through estimating your VRS benefits and provides counseling options to answer often-asked questions.

[Watch now!](#)

Employee Discounts

Employee Discounts. Save \$2,000 and more with Rocket Mortgage! Please check out the [employee discounts webpage](#) to learn more and to also take advantage of all the available discounts, exclusively for you and your family.

DISCOUNTS



EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

All health plans offered to state employees and their dependents have employee assistance programs (EAPs). Included are up to four sessions at no charge for such services as mental health, alcohol or drug abuse assessment, child or elder care, grief counseling and legal or financial services.

[Learn More Here](#)

Public Service Loan Forgiveness

Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program (PSLF). State employees may be eligible for the federal government's Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program. Keep reading to see whether you might qualify. The PSLF Program forgives the remaining balance on your Direct Student Loans after you have made 120 qualifying monthly payments under a qualifying repayment plan while working full-time for a qualifying employer. **Please direct your questions to the federal program site.** [Click here](#) to learn more.

Virginia Department of Treasury's Unclaimed Property Division.

Searching for your missing money is now easier than ever! Our new, improved website is more intuitive and also offers a secure document upload feature, making claiming your funds quicker than ever before. Unclaimed property can include dormant bank accounts, uncashed checks, stocks and dividends, insurance proceeds, refunds, and more. Visit our free search site to check your name and start the claims process.

Search for Missing Money!
<https://vamoneysearch.gov/>

Virginia State Employee Assistance Fund (VSEAF)

The Virginia State Employee Assistance Fund provides grants to eligible state employees suffering from a financial crisis as a result of an unplanned emergency/or unplanned event that impacts the employee or family members living in the residence of the employee. The VSEAF is a recognized 501c (3) charity member of the Commonwealth of Virginia Campaign (CVC), Code 203040.

[Check to see if you qualify](#)