

GreenPath Facebook Friends Page Hits 400 Members in First Three Months

In June, GreenPath launched a new closed Facebook group exclusively for our clients. In our first three months, more than 400 clients have signed up, and, we hope you will join our group and great conversation!

GreenPath clients have been sharing great words of encouragement, budgeting tips, feedback on their debt management program and more since the group started with members from 28 states!

If you have a Facebook account, simply request access at *https://www.facebook.com/groups/GreenPathFriends*. We will confirm and then you can jump right in!

Because this is a closed, private group, you will be able to interact with clients like yourself in a non-judgmental atmosphere. Find out what's working for others, share your successes, offer support to clients just starting out, ask questions, and receive feedback and tips.

If you have questions or ways we can make your GreenPath experience better, please email us at *suggestions@greenpath.com*.



Stay Cool and Beat the September Heat

While the calendar has us thinking of back-to-school and autumn, much of the country continues to be stuck in summer-like high heat and humidity! GreenPath has put together some tips on ways you can save money on utility costs, while staying cool, during this summer heat.

It's very easy to crank up the air-conditioning, during extreme heat. If you do, be prepared for a larger energy bill at the end of the month. Here are some tips to cope:

- Consider using fans to help move cool air more effectively.
- Close your window blinds during the day to keep out the sun and heat.
- Invest in a smart thermostat so you can regulate temperatures throughout the day to use less energy.
- Turn up your thermostat, while you are at work or away from home for an extended time. Does your house really need to be 65 degrees if no one is home?

• Use your vents wisely. Shut off rooms that aren't used on a regular basis to help conserve cool air.



Make sure to prioritize your utility bills each month, as these are essential for daily living. It is more expensive to turn the lights back on, after they

have been shut off, than to address your monthly bill.

On days of extreme heat, don't forget about those who may need your help. Always remember to look in on shut-in neighbors and relatives. Also, watch your pets and neighborhood pets closely. They need more shade and water during this heat wave.

If you need assistance, GreenPath can help you prepare and review your budget, to help prioritize your expenses and budget for increasing utility costs. We can also refer you to local city and state programs to help you apply for utility assistance. Call GreenPath at 877-337-3399.



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September Webinars Take A Look at Credit Reports and Scores

As school is back in session with new clothes and school supplies on the list (and the holidays just around the corner!) now is a good time to brush up on credit specifics and separate myth from fact. This month, the GreenPath education department will tackle topics on "Why You Should Care about Your Credit Report and Score" as well as some tips you can use for yourself with "Ways to Rebuild My Credit"

Credit Reports and Scores -Wednesday, September 7 at noon ET

During this fast-paced, informative webinar, GreenPath will help answer such questions as: What is a credit report? What is a credit score? How can I obtain my personal credit report? How does my credit history affect me? You'll get the answers to these and many other questions at this informative webinar.

How do I Build or Rebuild my Credit? -Wednesday, September 21 at noon ET

Credit can play a key role in saving money and getting favorable interest rates,

whether you are buying a car or a house. The importance of keeping debt low, what to do with debt problems, how you can protect your credit history

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and steps to take to rebuild credit are discussed during the building and rebuilding credit webinar.

To sign up for any of these personal finance webinars, log on to www.greenpath.com/gfw-webinars.

GreenPath Reviews on ConsumerAffairs.com

If GreenPath has helped you, consider sharing your story on *ConsumerAffairs.com*. Here's a recent submission:

Helen of Denver, CO: "I'm happy I worked with GreenPath and have completely paid my debt off. I loved working with Debra, and I appreciate that she was my initial contact person. She was excellent, and a very nice person with a humor. She knew her job and knew how to deal with people. She listened but didn't waste time and was able to take care of business. Because of what she did, I trusted GreenPath, and through it all, the job was done."

Log on to *www.consumeraffairs.com/debt_counsel/ greenpath.html* to tell us your story! So far, more than 240 clients have shared their experience.

