

AMERICA SAVES WEEK

February 27 - March 4, 2017

America Saves Week 2017 Daily Savings Focus

Monday, February 27: Save Automatically

- It can be hard to put aside money for savings, but there is an easy way to save money without ever missing it by **making your savings automatic** in 2017. Already saving automatically? Find ways to automate other aspects of your financial life this year.

Tuesday, February 28: Family Savings Day

- Good savings habits start at home. Whether you're budgeting, saving, making retirement decisions, or assessing work-place benefits, **share the choices you make** with your children, no matter their age.

Wednesday, March 1: Save for Retirement

- Saving now for retirement will ensure you have enough money to have a comfortable standard of living when you stop working or reduce the amount of hours you work. Participate in a work-related retirement program, open up an **Individual Retirement Account** (or IRA), or open a free and easy **myRA account**. Already saving for retirement? Increase the amount you save toward retirement by 1 percent in 2017.

Thursday, March 2: Saving at Tax Time

- Saving a portion of your tax refund can be a big step toward meeting your savings goals. This tax season, get ahead of your financial goals by **splitting a portion your tax refund** into savings, and reward yourself with **SaveYourRefund** by entering to win one of 101 prizes.

Friday, March 3: Pay Off High-Interest Debt

- With planning, discipline, patience, and maybe some outside help, almost anyone can reduce their debts and start to accumulate wealth. Find places to cut your spending so that you can **pay down your debts faster** and find places to **trim your expenses**.

Saturday, March 4: Save for Emergencies

- An emergency savings fund consists of a small amount of money, usually in a savings account, that you do not have easy access to. Saving for this fund starts with **small, regularly scheduled contributions** that build up over time.