

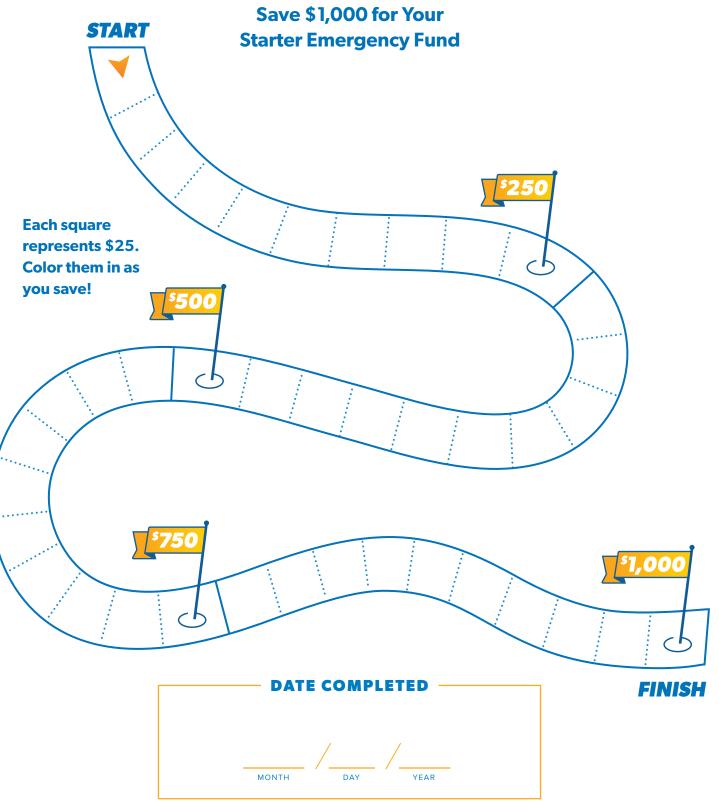
The Ramsey Baby Steps

Once you decide to take control of your money, you need a realistic plan that works. That's why Dave Ramsey created the 7 Baby Steps—a clear, proven path that has helped thousands of people pay off debt and win with money. In this first step, your goal is to save \$1,000 as fast as you can. Your starter emergency fund will cover those unexpected life events you can't plan for. (You don't want to dig a deeper hole while you're trying to work your way out of debt!)

How to Use the Tracker

Each square on the tracker represents \$25 saved. As you save money, fill in each square until you've reached your goal of \$1,000. You should be able to complete Baby Step 1 in one month. Start by creating a budget. Small changes make a big impact, so see if you can trim down your monthly food expenses or pause a few subscriptions. Then make a list of items you could sell, like furniture or clothes, to help you get there faster. Start coloring in those squares and you'll have \$1,000 saved in no time!





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THE BABY STEPS

- BABY STEP 1
 Save \$1,000 for Your
 Starter Emergency Fund
- Pay Off All Debt (Except the House)
 Using the Debt Snowball
- BABY STEP 3
 Save 3-6 Months of Expenses in a Fully Funded Emergency Fund
- BABY STEP 4
 Invest 15% of Your Household
 Income in Retirement
- BABY STEP 5
 Save for Your Children's
 College Fund
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 Pay Off Your Home Early
- BABY STEP 7
 Build Wealth and Give

Need help saving \$1,000?

An EveryDollar budget is your new BFF. EveryDollar is the monthly budgeting app that lets you customize your spending (and saving) so you can start making progress. Check it out!



