



September 2024 Edition

Heading into fall, we experience a new rush of endless activities. Somewhere between school and sporting events, autumn outings, settling into new spaces, planning holiday family time, and starting your gift-shopping, make time to focus on your finances. That way, you'll know you've got everything you need to fully enjoy the season.



Prep Your Budget for Year-End

As 2024 comes to a close, review and adjust your budget by focusing on tax savings, holiday spending, and setting financial goals for the new year. Start with our [expert advice and insights](#).



Maximize Your Charitable Contributions

As you're reviewing your finances, be sure to [assess your charitable donations](#) and make sure you've accounted for all of your contributions. Year-end giving could reduce your tax liability.



Start 2025 on a Firm Financial Footing

To achieve your financial goals before 2024 ends, [focus on these key tasks](#): fund your retirement accounts, prepare for tax season, plan ahead for next year's budget.

Welcome to Blue Star Welcome Week

Sep 18: Did you just PCS? Tune in as we talk about Blue Star Welcome Week, September 21-29, and how Blue Star Families helps military families assimilate into local communities. [Watch](#).



PCS Move? Master Your Budget Fast!

Adjusting your budget post-move is easy when you know how to manage expenses and leverage your military benefits. SpouseLink details how to make

an effective, smooth [financial transition](#).

5 Key TSP Tips for a Secure Military Retirement

Understanding and maximizing your military retirement benefits can substantially improve your post-service life. [Start with these 5 essential TSP pointers](#) from AAFMAA Wealth Management & Trust LLC. Then call **910-307-3500** to put your dream retirement within reach.

Back to School, Back to Homebuying

With falling interest rates, autumn could be the ideal time for military families to buy a home. [Get valuable tips](#) from AAFMAA Mortgage Services LLC to make the most of your homebuying journey.

Join Us in DC at ATM and AUSA

AAFMAA is proud to sponsor the Army Ten-Miler (ATM) on October 13 at the Pentagon. Stop by the Hooah tent to say hi and try to win fun prizes. If you miss us there, come see us in Kiosk 2 in the Membership Pavilion at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center at AUSA's Annual Meeting and Exposition, October 14-16. We look forward to seeing you at both events!



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