



United Way Suncoast



Banking and Online Financial Education Resources for Florida Residents

➤ Open a Checking Account Online

[Bank On: Remote Banking](#)

The Bank On national team's guide to online account opening during the COVID-19 time. Check out a full list of Bank On certified checking accounts that can be opened online.

[Bank On Suncoast: safe and affordable checking accounts available in the Suncoast region](#)

United Way Suncoast leads local Bank On work in the Suncoast region to provide residents with access to safe and affordable Bank On certified checking accounts.

➤ Consumer Assistance from Insured Financial Institutions

[Bank On Suncoast: consumer assistance navigation chart](#)

A chart developed by Bank On Suncoast to help navigate consumer assistance services offered by banks and credit unions. We encourage clients to get in touch with financial institutions directly to discuss specific assistance that they qualify.

➤ Florida Based Community Development Financial Institutions

Emergency Loans for Consumers

[Capital Good Fund: Crisis Relief Loans](#)

This loan ranges from \$300-\$1,500 and has a 15-month term with a special 90-day deferment payment period and 5% APR. The Crisis Relief loan can be used for utilities, medical bills, rent, groceries, and other personal expenses. **Apply online.**

[Solar Energy Loan Fund: The SELF Loan](#)

Unsecured personal loans for qualified home improvement and repair projects. No minimum credit score, no income limits (minimum or maximum), and no minimum asset or home equity required. **Apply online.**

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[Solita's House: S.O.S. Loan](#)

Up to \$500 for emergency car repairs, medical expenses, and other unexpected life events. 6-month term and referral needed. Please call 813-402-0761 for more information.

[Suncoast Credit Union: Lifeline Loan](#)

Up to \$4,000, terms up to 60 months, 4% APR, no payment for the first 90 days. Only one Lifeline loan per membership. Apply on [SunNet Online Banking](#) or the SunMobile App.

*Do you know an insured financial institution providing affordable small-dollar loans to cover consumers' emergency expenses?
Please email Carlene Ulacia at culacia@uwsuncoast.org add or edit.*

➤ **Online Financial Education Resources for Youth**

[Economic Awareness Council](#)

Printable worksheets for younger youth. EAC approaches financial education through hands-on activities based on real-world experiences.

[FDIC: Money Smart for Young People](#)

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's series consists of four free curriculums from Pre-K to Grade 12. Each age-appropriate curriculum includes lesson plans for educators along with guides for parents and caregivers.

[GTE Financial: Money Mammals](#)

A collection of games and apps developed by GTE Financial to teach kids under 11 on money matters.

[Khan Academy](#)

Expert-created content and resources for every course and level. Always free.

[LRNG](#)

A youth-focused online education platform developed by Southern New Hampshire University. The platform provides [an introduction to LRNG](#) and many free financial education modules, including [banking](#) and [budgeting](#).

[OntheMoneyMagazine.org](#)

Check out videos and articles about a variety of financial and business topics written by other youth.

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➤ Online Financial Education Resources for Parents and Adults

[BALANCE Financial Fitness Program](#)

Non-profit financial counseling service provider for over 45 years. A collection of videos, articles, and booklets on financial topics are available online. BALANCE provides free financial counseling services at 800-777-7526.

[Bank of America: Better Money Habits](#)

Personal financial education covering various topics, provided by Bank of America in partnership with Khan Academy.

[Chase Chats Webcasts](#)

Connect with a Chase financial educator through a live webinar on topics like digital banking.

[CFPB: A Guide to COVID-19 Economic Stimulus Relief](#)

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau broke down the most common questions about Economic Impact Payments.

[CFPB: Protect yourself financially from the impact of the coronavirus](#)

A list of tools and resources to manage various financial situations affected by COVID-19.

[Credit Management Tips During COVID-19](#)

Working Credit offers great tips for managing credit during the COVID-19 crisis.

[Economic Impact Payments Guidance from IRS](#)

The IRS has provided guidance related to the Economic Impact Payments during COVID-19. Check out this resource to learn more about who qualifies for stimulus payments & how to get them. More information can be found on the [IRS Coronavirus resource page](#).

[FDIC: MoneySmart for Adults](#)

The curriculum consists of 14 modules that cover real-world financial topics. A variety of topics include banking, spending, saving, credit, borrowing, financial recovery, and more.

[GTE Financial: Elevate](#)

Short financial education videos from GTE Financial, topics include money foundations, future planning, and borrowing.

[Information regarding Payment of Federal College Loans](#)

The *CARES Act* into law, providing (among other things) broad relief for federal student loan borrowers. We have updated our website with new information for students, parents, and borrowers at StudentAid.gov/coronavirus.

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[Manatee Community Federal Credit Union: Financial Fitness](#)

Free financial counseling and webinars on various financial topics provided by MCFCU and powered by BALANCE.

[Regions Bank: Next Step](#)

A set of free financial education tools, podcasts, and live webinars provided by Regions Bank, available in both English and Spanish.

[SELF: Virtual Credit Rebuilding Workshop](#)

A virtual workshop provided by the Solar Energy Loan Fund to present key insights about credit rebuilding.

[TD Bank: Learning Center](#)

Financial knowledge and resources provided by TD Bank. Videos and content are sorted into three major categories: personal banking, credit and lending, and home lending.

[Wells Fargo: Hands on Banking](#)

A free, non-commercial financial education program on responsible money management provided by Wells Fargo, available in both English and Spanish.

➤ **Tips to Avoid Financial Scams**

[Federal Trade Commission: Avoid Coronavirus Scams](#)

Tips from FTC to avoid scams during the COVID-19 time. If there is a scam, please report it to the FTC at ftc.gov/complaint.

[Consumer Financial Protection Bureau](#)

Avoid scams while finding help in quarantine. If there is a problem with a financial product or service, please submit a complaint at consumerfinance.gov/complaint.

This document is created by Bank On Suncoast to better serve Florida residents during the COVID-19 pandemic. If you have any questions, suggestions, and/or feedback, please email us at bankon@uwsuncoast.org. Thanks!

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