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U Unexpected Expenses and Emergencies

S Specific Short-term Savings Goals

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S Sources of investment

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- Groceries
- Utilities
- Entertainment
- Mortgage
- Car/gas/insurance
- Other debt payments


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U Unexpected Expenses and Emergencies

- Job loss
- Home repair
- Auto repair
- Unplanned medical expense


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## S Specific Short-term Savings Goals

- New car
- Vacation
- Wedding


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S Sources of Investment

- Strategic allocations
- Temporary allocations for a future investment


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## Credit Cards and Minimum Payments

## New Balance <br> Minimum Payment Due <br> \$1,786.00 <br> Payment Due Date <br> \$53.00 <br> 2/13/15

Late Payment Warning: If we do not receive your minimum payment by the date listed above, you may have to pay a $\$ 35$ fee and your APRs may be increased up to the Penalty rate of $28.99 \%$.
Minimum Payment Warning: If you make only the minimum payment each period, you will pay more in interest and it will take you longer to pay off your balance.

For example:

| If you make no additional <br> charges using this card and <br> each month you pay $\ldots$ | You will pay off the <br> balance shown on this <br> statement In about ... | And you will end up <br> paying an estimated <br> total of ... |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Only the <br> minimum payment | 8 years | $\$ 2,785$ |
| $\$ 62$ | 3 years | $\$ 2,232$ <br> (Savings $=\$ 553)$ |

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## Your Credit Profile

Credit Score

- Range: 300-850
- Best Rates: 740+

Credit Report

## Credit Score Factors

- History of on-time payments
- Credit utilization
- Length of credit history
- Recent searches for credit
- Types of credit used


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## Credit Report

## Credit Bureaus

- Equifax Canada
- TransUnion Canada

Request your annual credit report at
www.equifax.ca
www.transunion.ca


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## Credit Card Payoff Strategy

| Credit <br> Card | Amount <br> Owed | Interest <br> Rate | Minimum <br> Payment |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Credit Card 1 | $\$ 750$ | $21 \%$ | $\$ 25$ |
| Credit Card 2 | $\$ 1,250$ | $21 \%$ | $\$ 75$ |
| Credit Card 3 | $\$ 1,000$ | $20 \%$ | $\$ 50$ |
| Credit Card 4 | $\$ 2,500$ | $18 \%$ | $\$ 50$ |
| Credit Card 5 | $\$ 4,000$ | $18 \%$ | $\$ 50$ |

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## Review Your Strategy

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Mastering Credit:

- Good vs. Bad Debt
- Credit Scores and Credit Reports
- Debt Consolidation and Payoff Strategies


## Questions

Answers


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