PSU Family Eligibility

Families enrolled in the program share these characteristics:
• Marathon County residents
• Income at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guideline
• Dependent child in the home
• One or more adults currently employed, in W-2 program or attending school

PSU Participants Commit To:
• One year participation
• Attend financial literacy courses
• Meet with program coordinator on a regular basis, minimum of once per month
• Being motivated to make a change, learn new skills and money management strategies
• Attend financial education events

PSU Families Achieve Financial Stability Through:
• Repairing their credit
• Tracking their spending
• Use of community resources
• Developing LIFE skills in budgeting, banking, credit and the importance of saving
• Attending financial education events

PSU FAMILY SUCCESSES

*A single father in PSU was accepted into the Goodwill Training program. This is an eight week program to learn and fine-tune job skills.

*After the latest Credit Report reviews with PSU families, several of them were able to make necessary corrections to their credit report that will in turn raise their credit scores.

*A single mother of a young child has completed her job training through DVR, and was hired on as a full-time employee through the employer she was doing her job training through. She was also able to purchase a vehicle and moved into a two-bedroom apartment that will better suit her and her daughter.

*A young family in PSU has come up with a plan on how to handle their 2015 tax return. They worked together by making a list of needs vs wants.

Dreams + Work = Success

PSU Client Progress

PSU is Hosting it’s First Event for 2015!

“Saving $$ at the Grocery Store & More”

When: March 16th from 4-6 pm
Where: UW Ext. Office
(212 River Drive, Room 1 Wausau, WI)
RSVP: Families should RSVP by March 11th by calling 608.519.8067
A Meal and Daycare will be provided.
When March Comes in Like a Lion

March is expected to be bitterly cold with sub-zero temperatures and wind chill, but the old saying is that “when March comes in like a Lion it will go out like a Lamb”. And so it will with predicted 50 degree weather for the first day of Spring.

It is still important to take precautions against the cold even as the weather warms up by:

• Staying healthy
• Keep your car maintained (see insert)
• Continue energy saving measures at home
• Exercise
• Practice passive solar heating: when the sun is shining in your window, open the curtains. When not, shut the curtains to keep the chill out

Remember that all the little steps add up to saving of the green!

Saving the Green by Going Green

• Whenever you travel in a car, be sure to car pool
• Stop eating out
• Rent, borrow and free cycle: reduce, reuse and recycle
• Do a home energy audit: caulk cracks, seal windows and ducts, and use draft snakes to save up to 10% on your heating bills
• Adjust water heater temperature settings so your water isn’t scalding and wash your clothes in cold water
• Make your own “green” cleaning products with vinegar, lemon juice, baking soda and salt

May your blessings outnumber the Shamrocks that grow, and trouble avoid you Wherever you go.