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# ***Smart Money Moves for Good Financial Health in a Fast Changing World***

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What is the source to your  
major financial stress at this  
moment?

What does it means to you?

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# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?

Not enough sleep

Broke

Lack of time

studies fees

studyy and moneyy

Wife

ok

ok

Parents

Where to start?

ok

My part job's income

Paying Mortgage n loan

High Living Expenses

insufficient allowance

# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?

Shortage of capital to invest in my capital market 🤔😞

Stagnant income growth and high inflation

very horrible

Debts

Uncertainty Economic

edu fees, daily necessities

study and food

Wife

Rental

Debt

Want to be financially independent, so I don't have to work. My investments will work for me, thus I'd like to travel.

Small savings

Food Lifestyle Hanging out

Inflation price of goods

# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?



Cash deficit

Money earned after spm kena scam and gone 🥺

Insufficient bank balance

inability to afford something and also debt

no money

high cost of living

unstable income. Sometimes I earn enough, but other times it's not consistent, which makes it hard to plan or save.

Unemployment

Excessice Spending

Money is not enough

PTPTN

no money

# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?

since I am a student, i have no consistent income :(

study

Households debt

ptptn & mafaship

Takde duit

Financial commitments

Unemployment and cost of living

yuran mahal

cost of living and financial buffer.

Debt

Rising cost of living

No money = no stress

No income

Education expenses

Education expenses



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# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?

Family/ PTPTN funds

Not enough income

Not enough money

Mortgage

Shopping addiction

education-related expenses such as tuition fees, transportation, and daily living costs.

Money things are getting expensive but parent don't understand the pain of asking money again and again with them ...

no income

not enough income

Not enough money to do things I want to do (that are so expensive)

study fees

Hungry

PTPTN

Children

# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?

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Education fees

Study fee

Shortage of time

spend too much per day on shopee

Education fees Car loan

what is that ? i have no idea that no my business

Lack of time and no opportunity made known to make money

Expense more on unnecessary things

I overspend my money on unnecessary things

dont have enough source of income

high cost of living

PTPTN Not enough money Too many

food

Daily expenses is over RM20

# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?

No knowledge about saving plan

overspending on online shopping

A lot of commitments salary not enough

Not enough income

sources to earn part time money

Limited income and too much unplanned expenses

too many wants

Kids education, Housing rental, bills

My medical card limit after I retire

Not happy when money drop if

Financial Uncertainty

House rent and expenses

jpa lambat masuk

Unemployment

overspending money on food

# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?

food event..

Not my on money

Foods

Rising cost of living

Expenses over earning

Not figure out about financial literacy at younger age

Have many debts (tiktok paylater)

I still don't have car

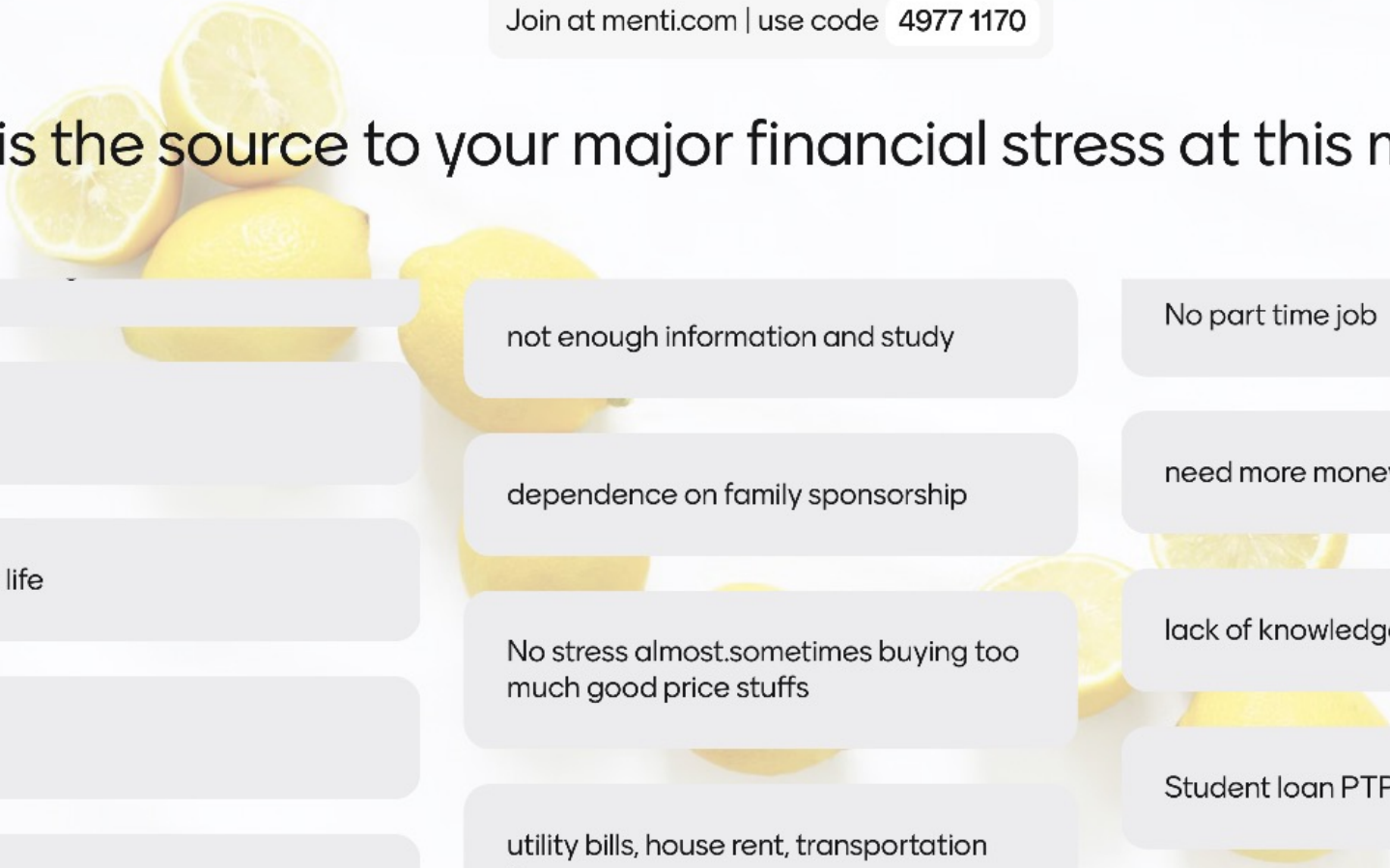
Economy stagnant

Hard to find job

Cafeteria food not affordable, the cheap ones not good

managing academic costs with limited allowance. textbook is sooo expensive 😞

# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?



debt

to continue life

Cat

Too much money dont know where to save

not enough information and study

dependence on family sponsorship

No stress almost.sometimes buying too much good price stuffs

utility bills, house rent, transportation fees

No part time job

need more money to shopping

lack of knowledge in financial planning

Student loan PTPTN, rising cost

Living expenses

# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?

University fee

Debts, business leads, increasing goods prices, increasing daily needs

Trying to save money, but i have FOMO  
😞

My life

food

credit card debt

Study

Too much commotment

Bad debts from peers

student loan high living expenses

limited incomeeee

Overthinking about the problem that not exist

Loss of income

commitment is more than income

# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?

Loss of income

Support parents

Time

study and money

Payback debt to peers.

income no stable

Too many things to do as final year student

money

low savings

Too many self reward

education fee

dont have enough money for a sem/6months, ptptn is not enough

- unstable incomes - too much money to spend - how to spend 1 million dollar

# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?

stress about not enough money to shopping and travel. i am just a girl....

studies fee, the fee increase every year

stress with my self reward

Ptptn

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Most of the goods are very expensive. So, we dont even can make a saving

Not enough time

Dont have time to find income

90 days payment term

ok

Study

my iphone was broke

High commitment

money

unexpected expenses that I made within a month



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# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?



study and money

regrets of burn cost

Peer pressure

my partner

studies, no enough time to work

Stress about daily expenses

Insufficient of cashflow

transport

too many wants, too little money

my speakers in the front stage

trying to balance my expenses and investing with my short of fund, since I am a student

insufficient allowance

Short on money which I used no study fees

# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?

home rental

Limited savings

tuition fees

Unsufficient money / income

wants pricey food

I want to save money but my stomach  
want dessert

Girlfriend

Insufficient allowance , limited income

Rise of living expenses

Time

No stable resource

Girlfriend

Broke

# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?

not enough money

Rise of living expenses

To much thing want to buy

stress about upcoming salary in the future

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Study and money

financial health

my shopping addiction

saving for future goals like buying a house

Save at least RM40k before graduation.

u the people let me stress

studies fees

No proper knowledge about managing money

# What is the source to your major financial stress at this moment?

Save at least RM40k before graduation.

freedom

Living expenses

no money

No proper knowledge about managing money

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No money

studies fees

Free palestine

Insufficient money due to college to cover up cost of living

I am feels not enough sleep.

# How Financial Stress Affects Our Mental Health?



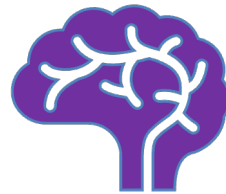
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# Why Do We Struggle with Money Despite Knowing What to Do?



Many people have financial knowledge but still make poor decisions.



Financial behaviors are driven by emotions, habits, and brain function.



Today, we'll explore how psychology and neuroscience impact financial well-being.

# Topic Outline:

- ☐ Introduction
- ☐ How We See Money
- ☐ Foundations of Good Financial Health
- ☐ Smart Money Moves for Good FinHealth.
- ☐ Q&A



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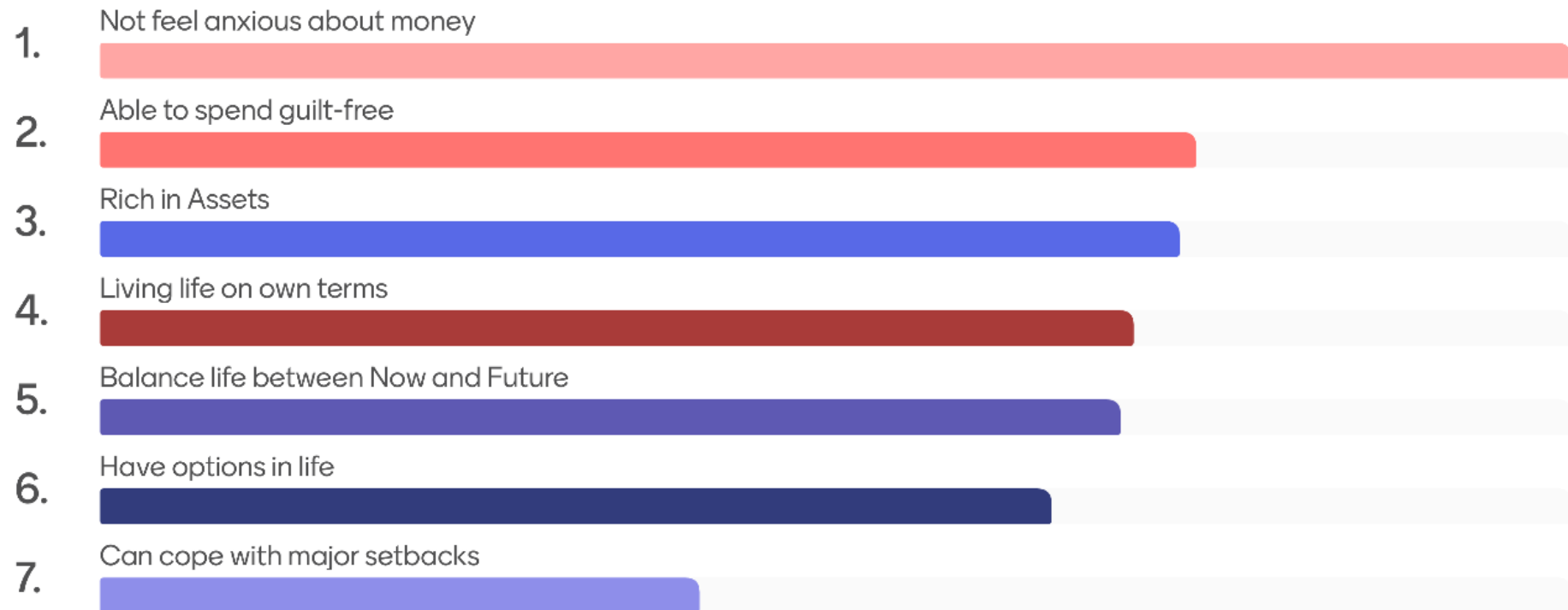
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# How We See Money

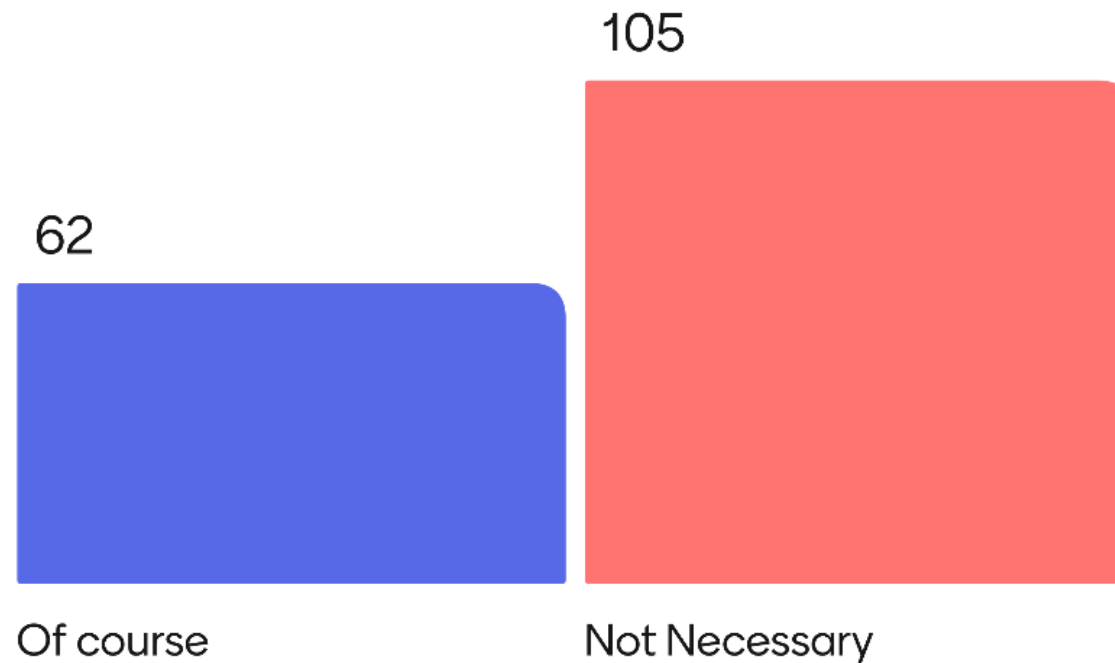
# What Does Financial Success means to you?

# What's important to you?



What's your thought on this?

# Higher Income = Better Financial Health

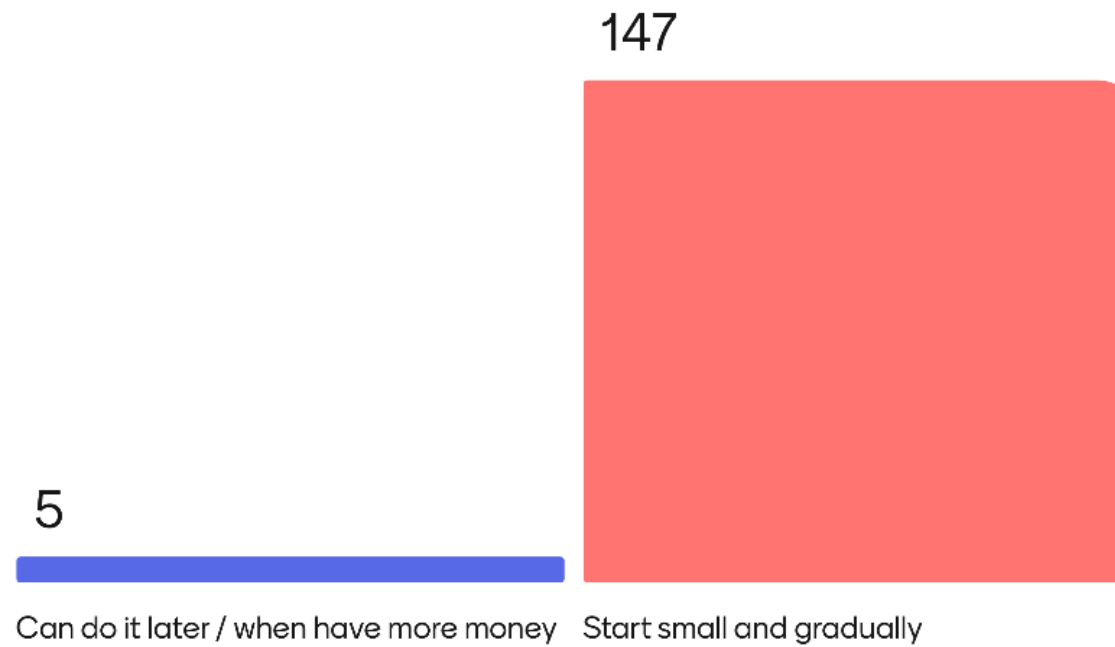


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What is your thought on...

# Savings

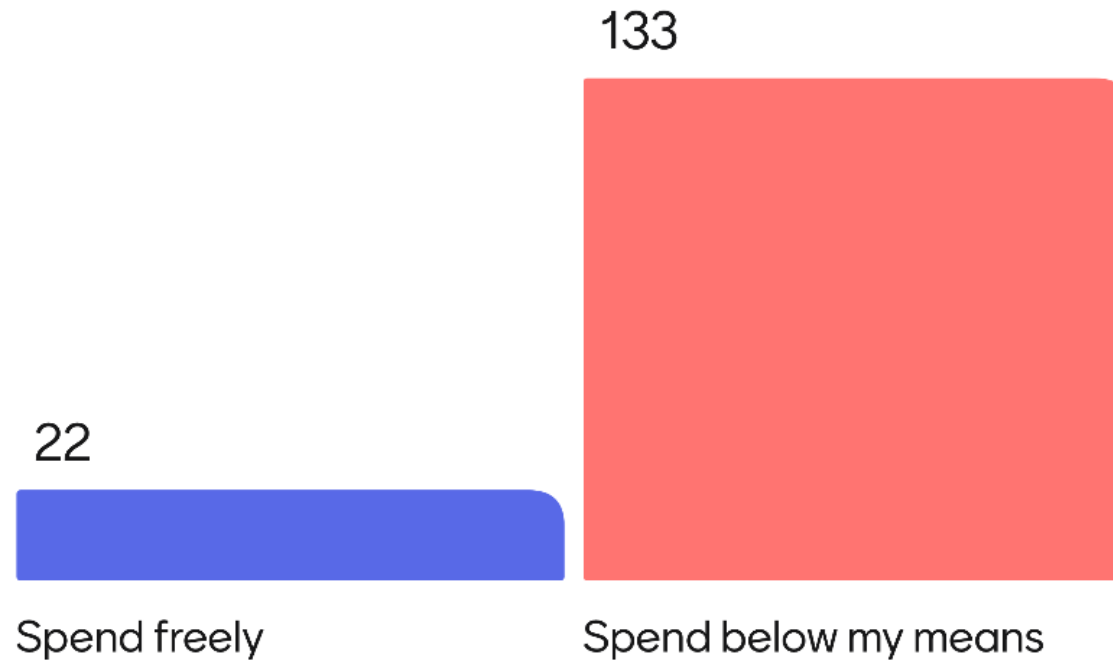


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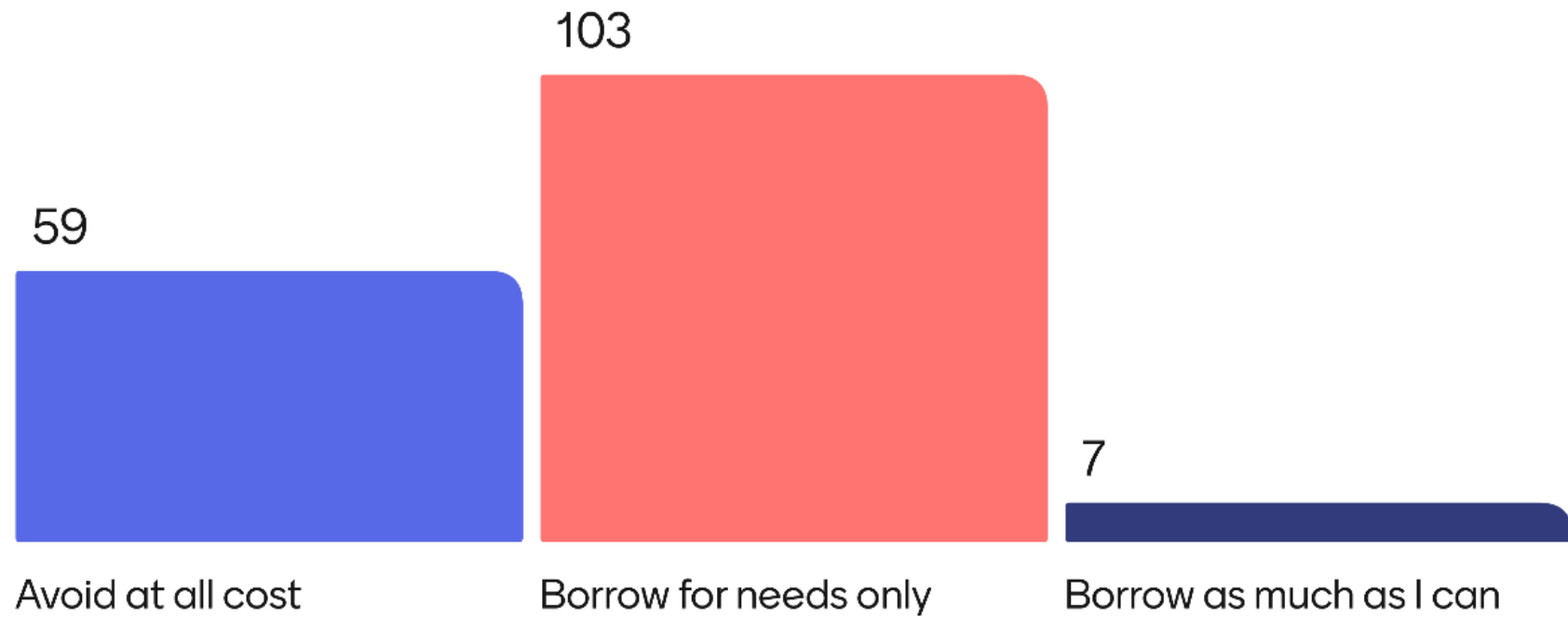
What is your thought on...

# Spending



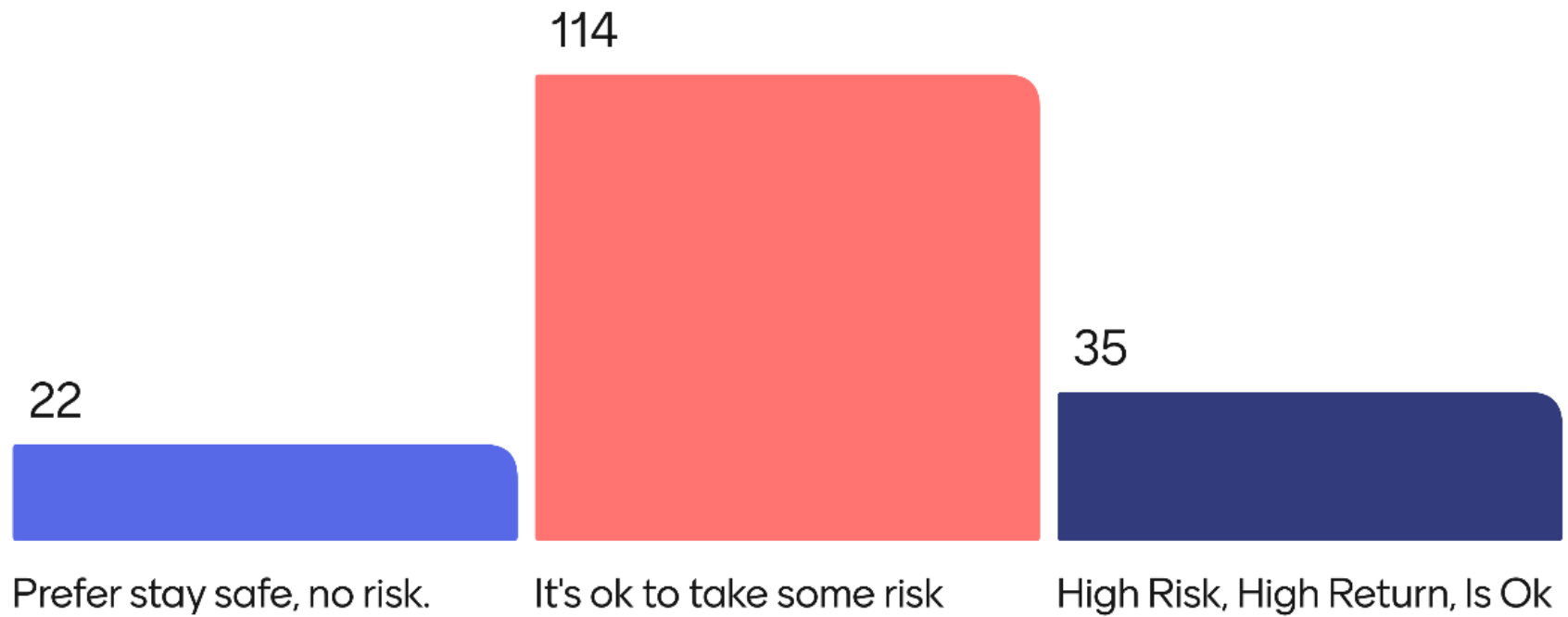
What is your thought on...

# Debt



What is your thought on...

# Investing



# Our Belief Creates Our Reality

## Example: More Money will Make Life Better

- 1 **Belief** → “If I have more money, all my problems will be solved”
- 2 **Thoughts** → “Once I hit RM 15k a month / get the Bonus, I won’t have financial stress anymore.”
- 3 **Feelings** → Frustration, impatience, anxiety when financial issues persist despite higher income.
- 4 **Actions** → Chase after higher pay, side hustles; Neglects budgeting, spend time with loved ones etc.
- 5 **Result** → Financial stress remains high due to lifestyle inflation, lack of planning despite higher income.

It’s a loop.

And unless you **rewrite the belief**, you stay trapped.

# "We did what we think was right"

## **Financial Snapshot**

RM62,000 net annual income

 37% to savings

 10% cash surplus monthly

 Able to spend on gifts, travel, daily needs comfortably

## **What's Really Going On?**

 Struggles to spend without guilt

 Must 'earn' my comfort and spend on self

 Hesitates to buy nourishing food or simple treats

 Gives freely to others but hard to give to herself

## **Childhood Messages About Money**

- "Don't order drinks"
- "Every sen counts"
- "Eat less to save more"

-  Give generously to church and others
-  Grew up feeling conflicted: *sacrifice is noble, self-comfort is selfish*

## **Breakthroughs Through Coaching**

-  Gained awareness of inherited beliefs
-  Reframed:
  - "Saving and spending can coexist"
  - "I can enjoy even small wins"
  - "Not all value is visible"
-  Started guilt-free spending on nourishment, wellness, joy

# **Foundations of Good Financial Health**

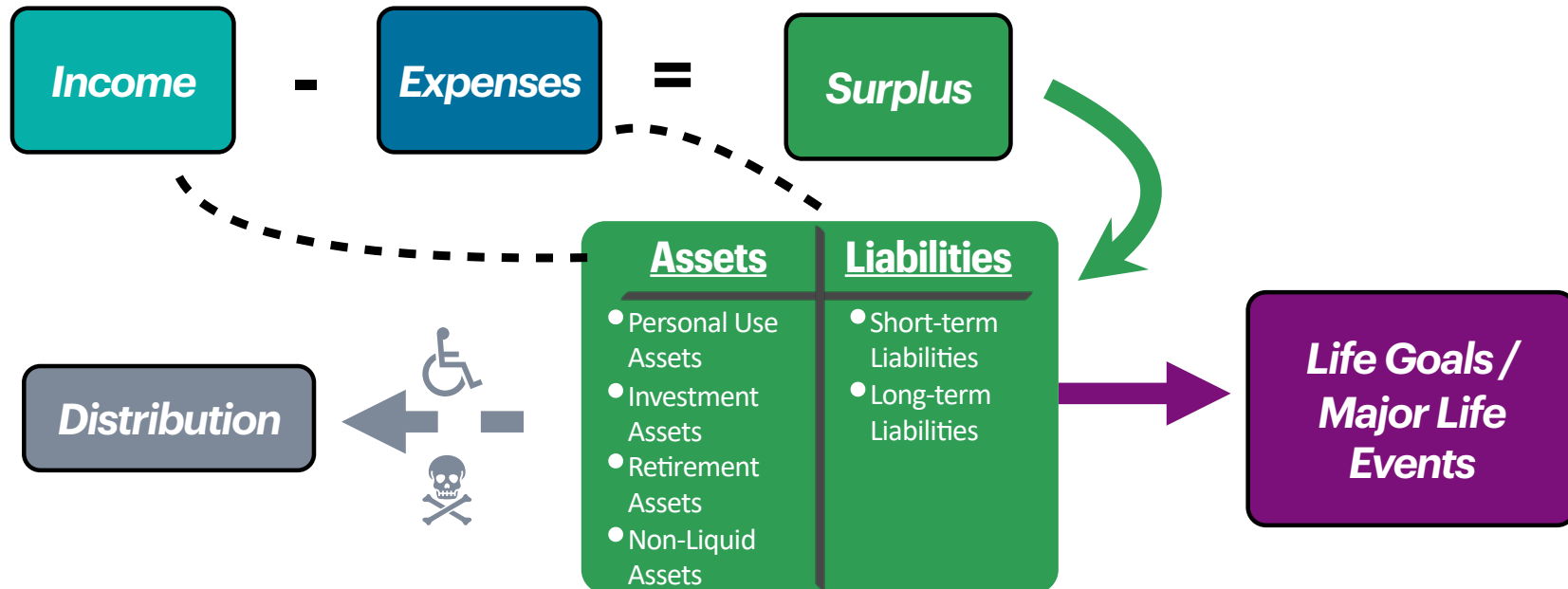
# Big Picture of Financial Planning

Illnesses / Retrenchments / Accidents / Disability / Death / Taxes / Scams

Emergency Savings

Financial Literacy

Insurance / Protection Products



# **Smart Money Moves For Good Financial Health**

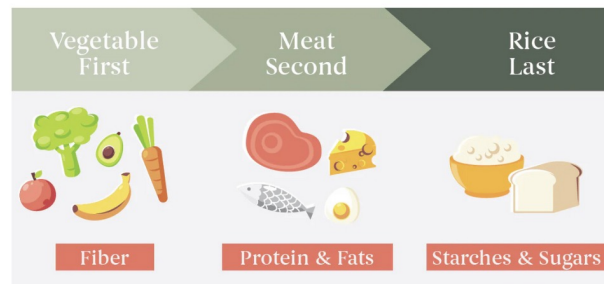
# Financial Prosperity System – Key Principle

## SIZE – USE SMALL PLATE



A smaller plate, with same portion, will  
appear more filling

## SEQUENCE – CHANGE YOUR FIRST BITE



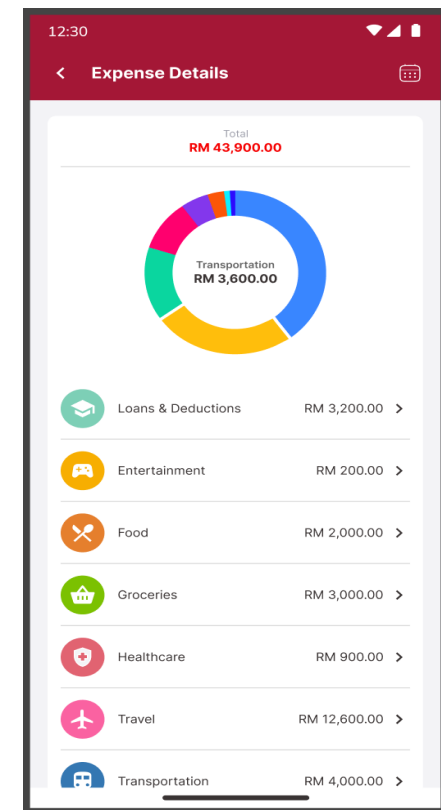
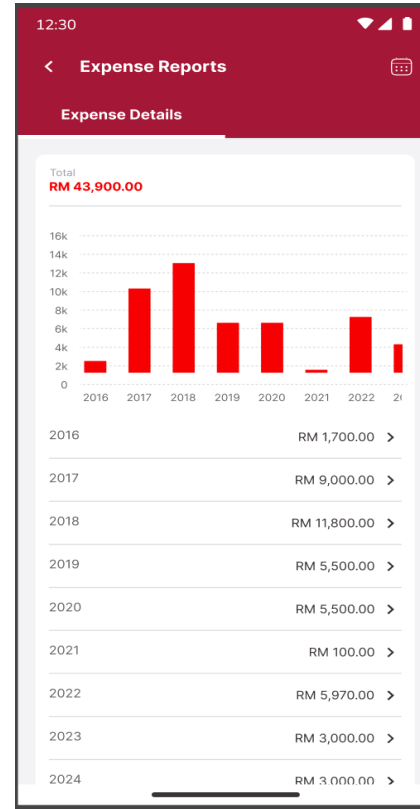
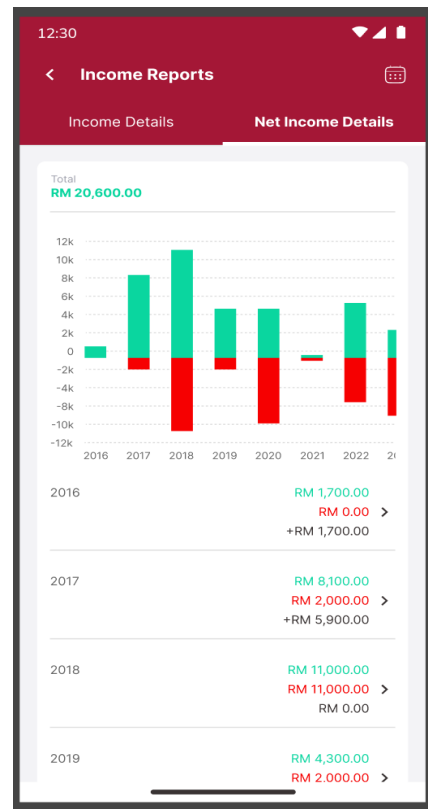
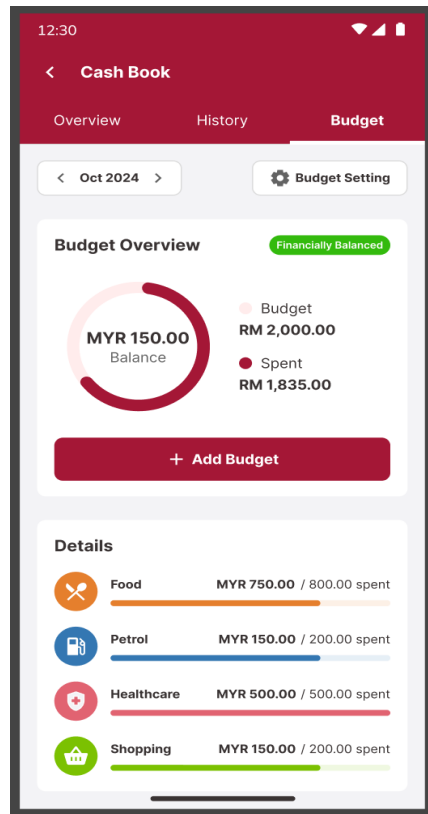
Start with healthier food  
to fill up your 'quota', prevents over-eating

## TEMPTATIONS – REMOVE + AVOID



Remove exposure to unhealthy options  
helps keep up with our intentions and commitments

# Permission Creates Space for Guilt-free Spending



## 2. How Much or How Fast?

Who will have more savings?

🎓 ***Amir – Monthly Income RM 3,000***

- Saves 10% → RM300/month
- Invests in something that gives **10% annual return**

🎓 ***Bella – Monthly Income RM 3,000***

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📈 **After 10 years:**

- Saves 30% → RM900/month
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5.59% p.a. (20 years)  
7.2% p.a. (10 years)

| Individual | Monthly Income | Savings Rate | Monthly Investment | Projected Growth Rate | Total Saved | Savings Value After 10 Years |
|------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| Amir       | RM 3,000       | 10%          | RM 300             | 10% p.a.              | RM36,000    | RM57,000                     |
| Bella      | RM 3,000       | 30%          | RM 900             | 4% p.a.               | RM108,000   | <b>RM129,000</b> ✅           |

**After  
20 years**

RM 149k

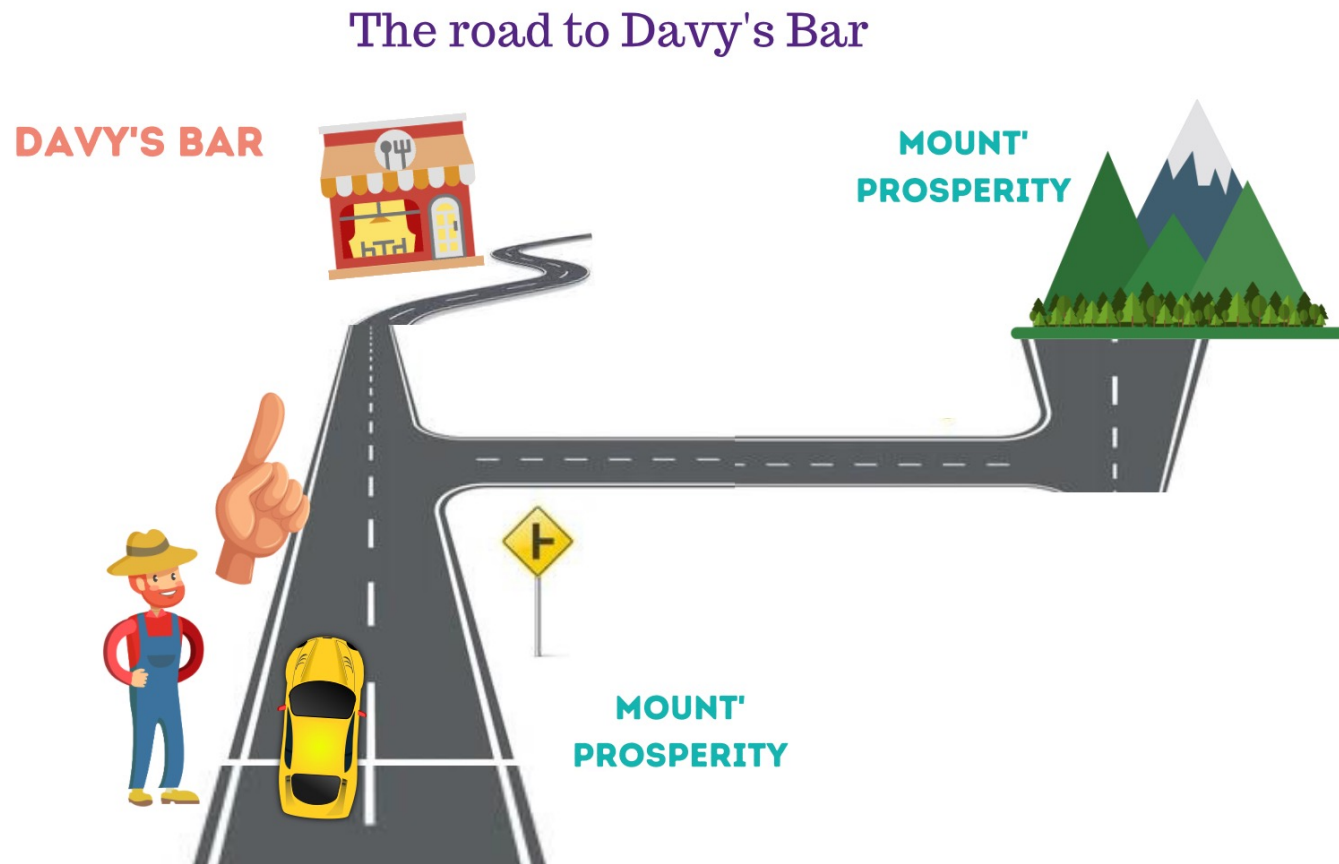
**After  
30 years**

RM 385k

RM 192k

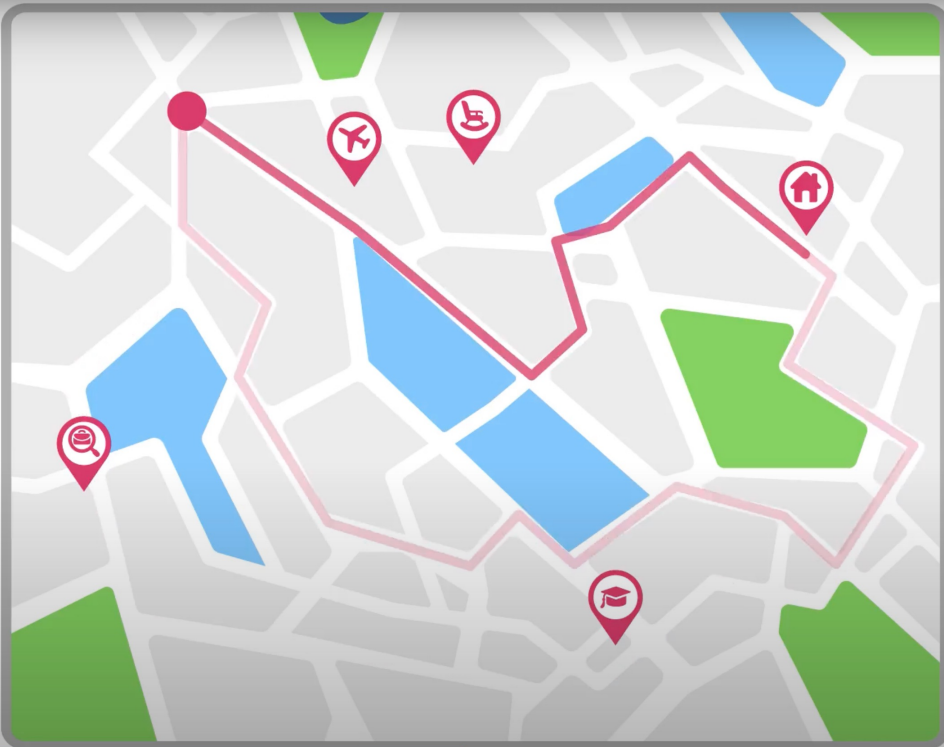
RM 285k

### 3. Get "Reasonable and Personalised" Advice



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*"Why after paying more, I still stuck for past 2 years?"*

*“I feel I am bad with money. I save in beginning of month, then I will have to ‘un-save’ before end of month”*

# Clarity Matters

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< Retirement Planning

Current Age

40

How old are you going to be when you are about to retire?

Desired Retirement Age

65

How long do you think you are going to live?

Estimated Life Expectancy

85

Apply

1.2 Looking Ahead

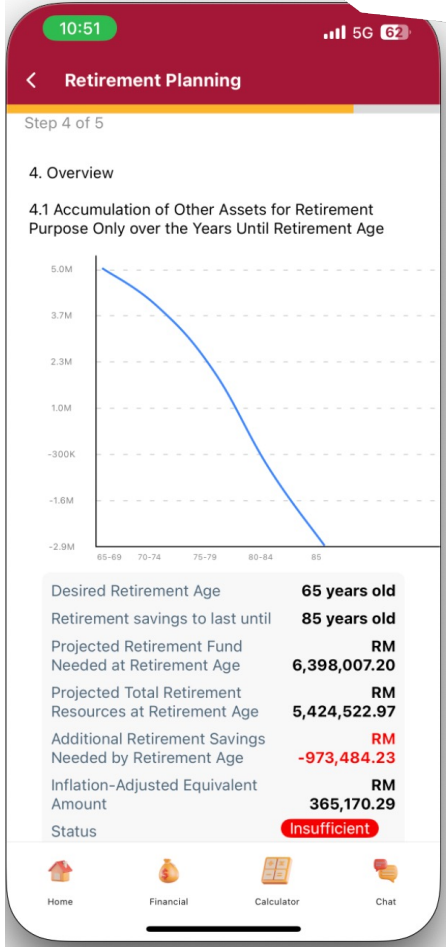
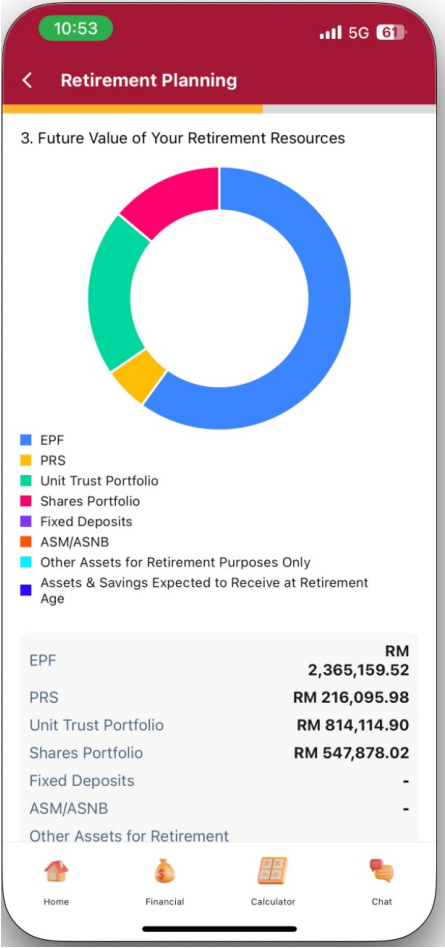
How much is your expected annual retirement expenses in today's value?

Expected Annual Retirement Expenses

RM 120,000

How much today's money would you like to leave for your loved ones after passing away at life expectancy age?

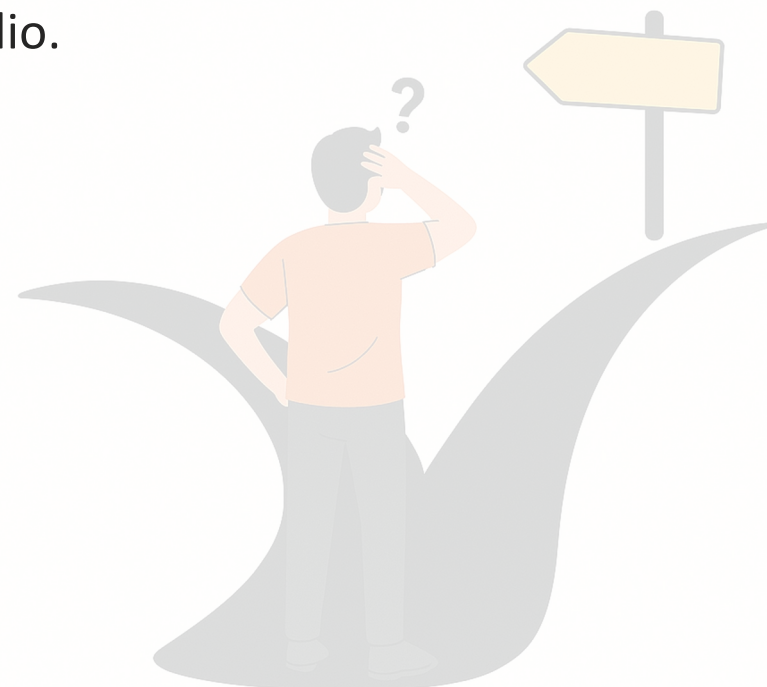
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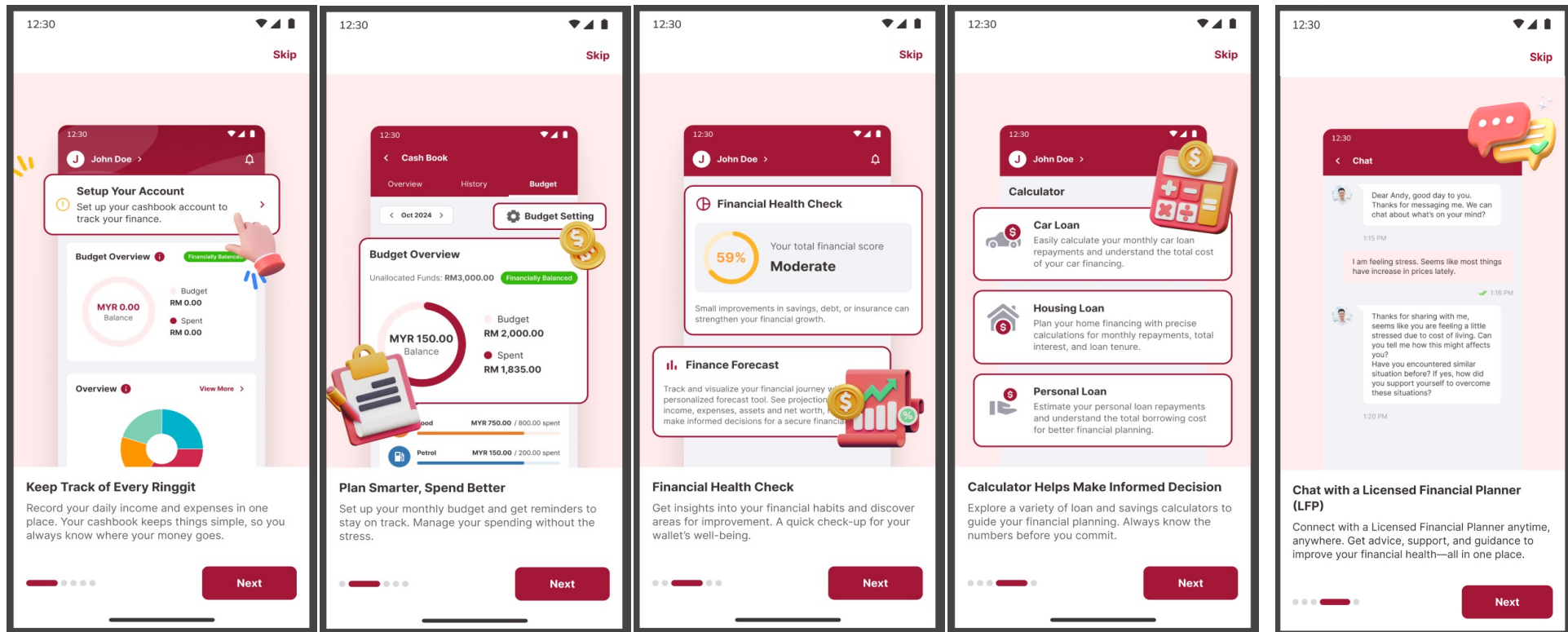
## And....

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- When you feel too comfortable, it's time to make yourself uncomfortable.
- Don't over commit your income. Leave room and space for flexibility.
- It's better to PREPARE than DESPAIR.
- Diversification – Financial Portfolio and Life Portfolio.
- Don't rely on Past Success logic.
- We learn everyday. Learning never stops.



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