

## State Employee Financial Wellness Program



#### **AUGUST 2025**



# The 2025 Giving Season is Almost Here!

The Commonwealth of Virginia
Campaign (CVC) is excited to
announce the upcoming launch of its
28th annual giving season! This
year's campaign officially kicks off on
October 1st, 2025.

We're thrilled to share that **over 700 charities have been approved** to participate in the 2025 campaign cycle. This means even more opportunities for you to support causes you care about.

As the campaign approaches, please consider donating to help us make a difference in our communities.

**Learn More About the CVC!** 



### Plan early for college costs.

Many students take out loans to pay for college. But alternatives exist—especially for those who start saving early. Read "How Families Are Paying for College—These 7 Smart Ways" to learn about options such as 529 savings plans, Roth IRAs, scholarships, grants and more.

Just log in to myVRS and choose Financial Wellness.

#### Quote

"Don't simply retire from something; have something to retire to." - Harry Emerson Fosdick All About That Money
Tuesdays

## Planning Your Family's Finances

Keeping your finances straight can be challenging.
Add in other's people's needs and habits, and it might be time to consult the experts.
This seminar teaches you how to maintain and grow your family's money while making a solid plan for the future.

To register for this live event, please click this <u>link</u> or scan the QR code below.



### Virginia Employee Discount Marketplace

End Summer with Hot Deals! Soak up the last days of summer with big savings this August! From travel to family-fun essentials, enjoy exclusive end-of-season deals you won't want to miss, such as the Richmond Jazz & Music Festival, Science Museum of Virgina membership, and Washington Commanders tickets.

Access employee discounts below!

https://commonwealthofvirginia.savings.workingadvantage.com/home



#### **EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

All health plans offered to state employees and their dependents have employee assistance programs (EAPs). Included are up to four sessions at no charge for such services as mental health, alcohol or drug abuse assessment, child or elder care, grief counseling and legal or financial services.

#### **Learn More Here**

### Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF)

Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program (PSLF). State employees may be eligible for the federal government's Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program. Keep reading to see whether you might qualify.

The PSLF Program forgives the remaining balance on your Direct Student Loans after you have made 120 qualifying monthly payments under a qualifying repayment plan while working full-time for a qualifying employer.

Please direct your questions to the federal program site. Click here to learn more.

#### Virginia Department of Treasury's Unclaimed Property Division

Have you checked to see if you're missing out on money? TRS offers a user friendly website and the secure document upload feature, making claiming your funds quicker than ever before! Unclaimed property can include dormant bank accounts, uncashed checks, stocks and dividends, insurance proceeds, refunds, and more. Visit the free search site to check your name and start the claims process.

Search for Missing Money! <a href="https://vamoneysearch.gov/">https://vamoneysearch.gov/</a>

#### Virginia State Employee Assistance Fund (VSEAF)

The Virginia State Employee Assistance Fund provides grants to eligible state employees suffering from a financial crisis or an unplanned emergency/or unplanned event that impacts the employee or family members living in the residence of the employee. The VSEAF is a recognized 501c(3) charity member of the Commonwealth of Virginia Campaign (CVC), Code 203040.

See If You Qualify!



VACU's BANZAI. August's rewards bundle focuses on Life Changes. As you progress through the activities for the month of August, you will have the chance to win cash and other giveaways. Most importantly, we aim to provide you with the peace of mind that comes with financial literacy and preparedness.

Proceed to the link to learn more:

https://dhrmvirginia.banzai.org/wellness/rewards/august-2025-reward-2b2b9687

#### Banzai Winners for July!

- Seth Taft, VCU
- Laura Aguilar Garcia, NVCC
- Tina English, VADOC
- · Karen Collins, DEQ
- Kayla Robertson, Virginia Tech

Each completed the necessary courses and passed their quiz. Drawing winners received a \$100 Amazon Gift Card, sponsored by the Virginia Credit Union (VACU).





