



BFNC Hope Center
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WHAT'S YOUR FINANCIAL DREAM?

BFNC Hope Center is a one-stop for customized services to help you reach your financial goals.



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Quality financial services in one convenient location.

The **BFNC Hope Center** offers a network of community resources to assist individuals and families with planning their career, financial planning, and management to help build future wealth.

- **One-On-One Financial Coaching**
- **Free Income Tax Assistance**
- **Free Financial Legal Advice**
- **Benefits Screening and Assistance**



We can help you build your personal financial plan.

Our mission is to enhance overall quality of life, increase financial security, and support economic independence.

Follow all BFNC Hope Center updates online at **bfnc.org**.

A Foundation Built to Help

The **BFNC Hope Center** is focused on facilitating economic advancement, empowerment, and financial education for individuals and families.

The Center's structure is based on the **Pathway to Prosperity** strategy, developed by the Annie E. Casey Foundation.

We are also a member of the **United Way CASH Coalition**, an agency collaboration with a focus on improving the financial health of working families in Western New York.

*Funding for the BFNC Hope Center is provided by **United Way of Buffalo and Erie County** and other community partners.*



Meet your **Hope Center Coach!**

We offer a FREE **one-on-one financial coaching program** designed to help you analyze your current financial situation, set financial goals, and create steps toward reaching those goals.

Hope Center Coaches can help you with:

- Benefits Screening & Assistance
- Credit Report Review & Credit Score Coaching
- Guidance on Using Credit Wisely
- Budgeting & Money Management
- Debt Management Plans
- Checking & Savings Account Education
- Student Loan Education
- First-Time Homebuyer Education

FREE **Income Tax Assistance**

Available in **Tax Season Only**

During tax season, we provide free income tax preparation services to individuals and families making **less than \$64,000 annual income (2023 eligibility amount)**.

Call 2-1-1 to register and schedule an appointment. Appointments are required for this service.

FREE **Financial Legal Advice**

Through the **Civil (non-criminal) Legal Advice & Resource Clinic (CLARO)**, you can receive FREE legal assistance from an attorney regarding:

- Collections
- Garnishments
- Frozen Bank Accounts
- Court cases or judgments related to:
Credit Card Debts, Medical Debts, Student Loans, Car Loans, Utilities Collections, Lines of Credit, Charge Accounts, Foreclosure

Call 716.852.5065 ext. 132 for an appointment.



Community Members: Are you interested in helping others to build a financial plan?

Get started with the **“Pathway to Prosperity” Financial Wellness Program**.

A six-week workshop series, 1 day per week for 90 minutes, to enhance your skills for financial planning, investing, debt reduction, and financial goal setting.

Call 716.852.5065 ext. 132 to learn more.

Benefits Screening & Assistance

The Hope Center can assist you in applying for:

- **Social Services Programs**
 - Medicaid
 - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
 - SNAP Benefits
 - Emergency Assistance
 - Rental Supplement Program
 - HEAP
 - Other insurance benefit programs
- **Social Security Applications** for Income Benefits, Retirement Benefits, and Disability Benefits.
- **Medicare**

