**FALL EDITION** Brought to you by the new IRIS tool at Chase.com

# OLUII()NS Stay one step ahead of your finances—and your life—

with essential advice and tools you can use this season.

#### **HEALTH**

# **HOME**

## **WORK**



#### DO IT:

The end of year is "use it or lose it" time for Flexible Spending Accounts. Assess your family's health needs, whether Dad needs new eyeglasses or your daughter needs braces, and make sure you take advantage of every available dollar.

#### CHASE CAN HELP:

The Budget Planning tool from IRIS at chase.com helps you better understand how you're spending across all categories throughout the year, so you can set more realistic FSA goals moving forward.

#### INVEST NOW:

If you may lose money on your FSA—or if you've already met your yearly health insurance deductible save now by moving up an elective procedure you may have been planning for next year.

#### WHILE YOU'RE AT IT:

Since first aid-related purchases are often FSAeligible, now is the perfect time to make sure emergency kits in the house, car, and office are ready for action.



#### DO IT:

Check your mortgage rate. If rates have fallen since you originally took out the loan, you may be able to refinance and get a better deal.

#### CHASE CAN HELP:

The IRIS Refinancing Guide at chase.com takes you through the process step by step. You'll also find valuable tools, calculators, and printable checklists to personalize your experience.

#### INVEST NOW:

With new models hitting the floor, last year's large appliances are now on sale. The price is also right on outdoor essentials like grills and lawn mowers, so get a head start for next summer.

### WHILE YOU'RE AT IT:

New tax laws offer credits for **energy-efficient** home improvements including some appliances. Look into what needs greening in your home and see if your purchase qualifies.



#### DO IT:

Follow your kids' example and start brown-bagging your lunch.

#### CHASE CAN HELP:

Seeing is believing! Plug your daily expense into the IRIS Lunch Savings Calculator at chase.com and see how this simple change can add up to big savings.

#### INVEST NOW:

Take advantage of the season's sales on cookware and refresh your kitchen with tools that can help you make easier (and oftentimes healthier) lunches for work.

### WHILE YOU'RE AT IT:

If possible, try to incorporate more wash-andwear items into your business wardrobe to cut back on dry-cleaning costs.



#### **HOLIDAYS**

#### **FAMILY**



#### DO IT:

Create a budget to control your spending. Organize your expenditures while shopping by consolidating all your holiday purchases onto one credit card.

#### CHASE CAN HELP:

Choose a Chase Rewards card that offers additional benefits suited to your lifestyle, including Cash Back, travel, merchandise, and more.

#### INVEST NOW:

Start booking airfare, hotel rooms, and rental cars in October for your December holiday travel. Get a jump-start and possibly an early-bird deal now; prices may skyrocket closer to the holidays.

#### WHILE YOU'RE AT IT:

Buy hostess gifts such as wine or chocolates in bulk now to avoid scrambling—and overspending—at the last minute.



#### DO IT:

As you elect medical and dental benefits for the next year, take the extra time to review your life and/or disability insurance policies. Make sure that your coverage reflects your family's current lifestyle.

#### CHASE CAN HELP:

The IRIS tool at chase.com puts your complete financial life at your fingertips so you can quickly and easily assess your family's day-to-day needs today and tomorrow.

#### **INVEST NOW:**

Fall is traditionally prime time to buy a new car. Act early to get the best selection from last year's inventory.

### WHILE YOU'RE AT IT:

Consider donating your used automobile to a family-friendly charity such as Kars for Kids, Boy Scouts of America, or United Way. The tax deduction is small potatoes compared to the difference your contribution will make in someone's life.

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