



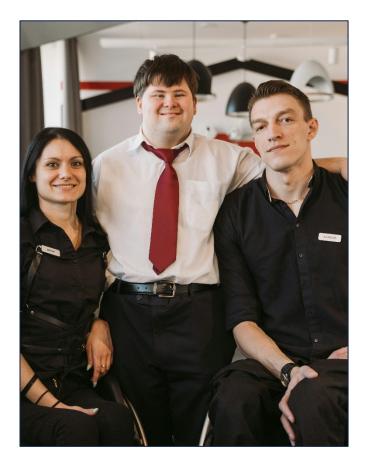
# Adulting 101



# Today's Agenda:



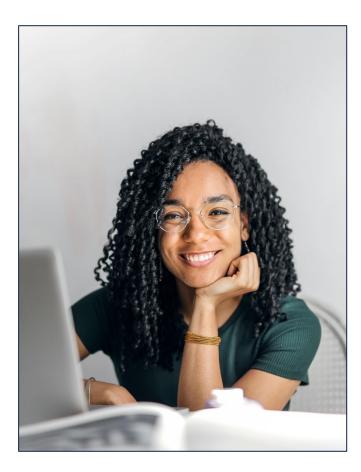
**Building Credit History** 







Living on **Your Own** 



#### **Tips for Financial Success**







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  - being offered or keeping some jobs
  - being able to get a rental or buy a house
  - a variety of other situations





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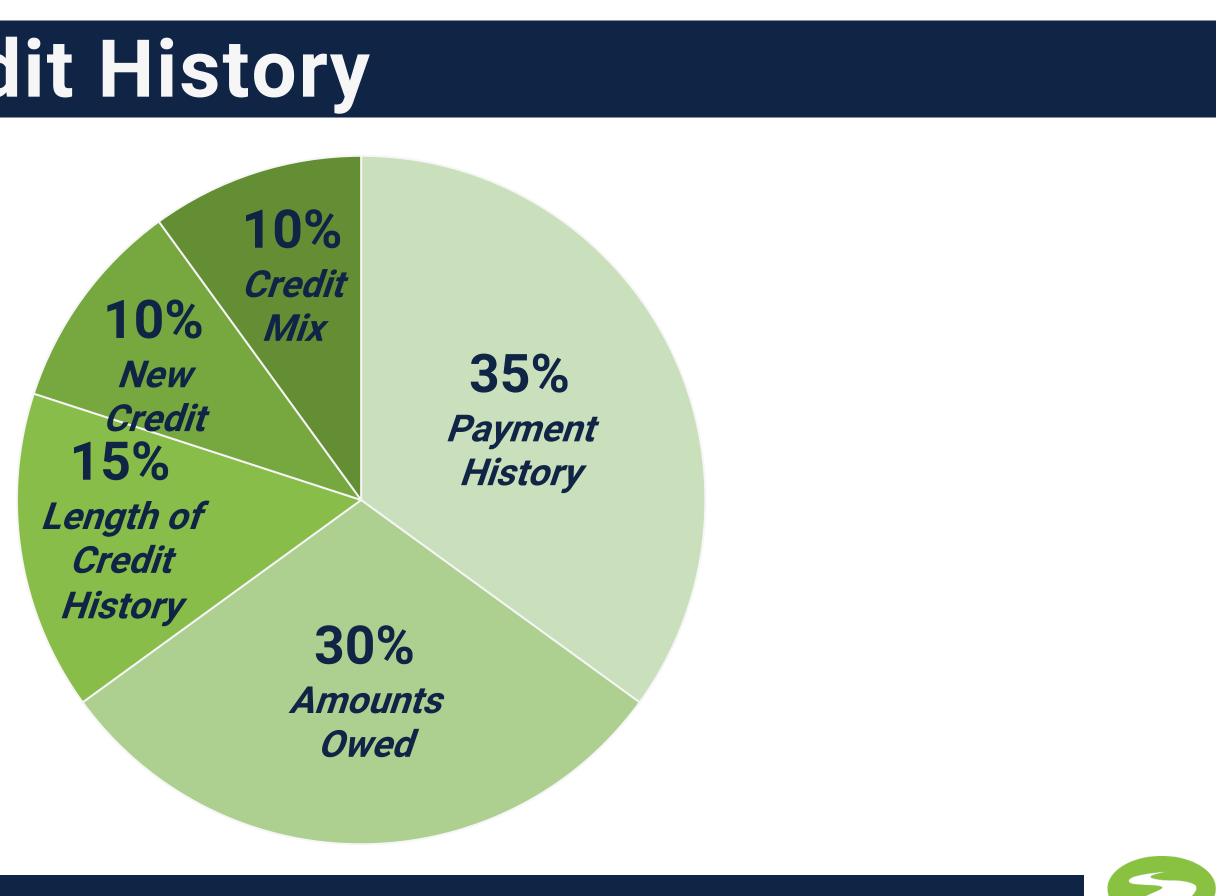
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- If you are paid hourly and your hours might fluctuate, base financial decisions on the amount of pay you can guarantee you'll take home.











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- Explore community resources that may be able to offer assistance









#### Take Ownership of your Financial Future:

• Create a budget – and use it!





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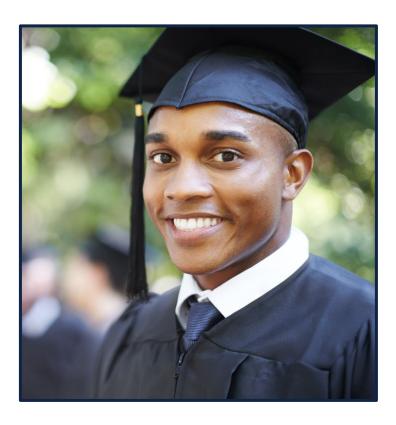
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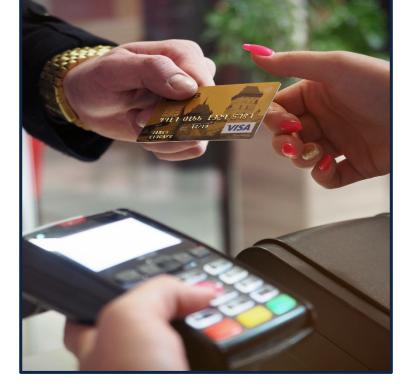
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