What services are available?

- Seminars and workshops for individuals and families:
 - ✓ basic financial literacy
 - ✓ budgeting
 - ✓ debt management
 - ✓ understanding insurance
 - ✓ building savings
 - ✓ customized programs
- Individualized one-on-one consultations

If you or someone you know could benefit from accessing the pro bono financial planning services, please contact the FPA Minnesota office at (763) 781-1212 or email volunteers@fpamn.org.

FPA Minnesota also hosts
Minnesota Financial Planning
Days online and in-person
annually. This free event
gives members of the public
an opportunity to attend
financial workshops and meet
one-on-one with CFP®
professionals to discuss
personal finance questions,
concerns and interests.

Additional information can be found at:

FPA MN Pro Bono Outreach



Contact your local FPA chapter at:

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PRO BONO FINANCIAL PLANNING



Helping those in need in times of need!



Free help ... with no strings attached

The Financial Planning Association® (FPA®) provides *pro bono* assistance to underserved individuals and families. FPA chapters and volunteers do this by



working closely with non-profit and charitable organizations to create programs that address their clients' needs. Whether providing educational seminars or individualized counseling, our volunteers can assist individuals and families who lack the income and assets needed to retain a financial planner on their own.

Unbiased financial advice with <u>no sales or promotion</u> of products or services

FPA volunteers abide by prescribed guidelines and follow the financial planning process. They do not sell products or services while engaged in *pro bono* activities. There is no charge, no commitment, no pressure ... just unbiased financial advice.

How can a financial planner help?

Many people think of financial planning as something for the wealthy or for active investors. In fact, it's much more than that. Financial planning involves all kinds of everyday money matters, such as drawing up a household budget to creating a debt payback plan.

"My planner's advice was so solid. I can hardly believe the changes that have occurred. I know it isn't going to be easy, but neither is poverty"

Unemployed single mother and pro bono client

More than that, financial planning means setting goals and determining how to reach them step by realistic step. It means turning your finances into a bridge to your future instead of a barrier.

Who do we work with?

FPA's *pro bono* program seeks to help people who need financial planning but lack the income and assets needed to engage a planner. To reach them, our chapters seek to partner with nonprofit and charitable community-based organizations serving such populations. Chapter partners include domestic violence shelters, homeless transition centers, asset building organizations, local governments and many more.

Experts you can trust

The Financial Planning Association is the membership organization for the financial planning community, with nearly 100 chapters throughout the U.S. and more than 23,000 members nationwide. FPA established its non-profit National Financial Planning Support Center in 2002 to offer *probono* services to victims of the September 11 attacks. Since then, *probono* services have grown nationally, and FPA volunteers have helped thousands of people get their financial lives in order.

"Pro Bono is a rewarding experience for both the clients and volunteers. As a volunteer I gain connections within the community. Most importantly the clients gain direction and confidence toward their financial goals."

 Chia-Li (Jolly) Chien, CFP®,CRPC,PMP and pro bono volunteer

Professionals must meet high training and experience requirements and abide by a code of ethics, further assuring their objectivity.