Since its inception in 2004, DollarWise has remained committed to creating substantive financial education opportunities for residents in cities and communities throughout the United States.

DollarWise programming focuses on the core areas of savings and banking, credit, education, and homeownership.

DollarWise invites mayors and their staff to examine financial education needs within their communities, to create an action plan, and to forge strong relationships with organizations that are dedicated to financially empowering Americans.

The DollarWise Campaign is made possible through the support of the Bank of America Charitable Foundation, its founding sponsor.



For more on DollarWise, go to:

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Council on Metro Economies and the New American City

The DollarWise Campaign is an initiative within The U.S. Conference of Mayors' Council on Metro Economies and the New American City. Since its inception in 2001, the Council has served as the economic research arm of The U.S. Conference of Mayors, publishing over 50 U.S. Metro Economies reports, forcasting economic growth and job creation in the nation's 381 metro areas.

Council members include:

Bank of America
The Brookings Institution
Computer & Communications Industry Assn.
Interise
International Council of Shopping Centers
Learning Games Studios
Prosperity Now



DollarWise: at a Glance

Providing Financial Education

To America's Cities



Get Involved

The DollarWise Summer Youth Contest

offers youth in summer programs the chance to win prizes, including iPads, for completing online financial education modules that help them manage their money. Youth can also earn a DollarWise certificate for completing a final comprehensive exam.

DollarWise Innovation Grants

Each year, DollarWise provides one \$10,000 Innovation Grant to a city that integrates financial education into its
English as a Second Language initiative;
one \$10,000 grant to a city that provides
financial literacy in a Prisoner Re-entry
program; and one \$10,000 award in an
open category for a city that demonstrates
exceptional and innovative programming.

DollarWise Summer Youth Campaign Grants

DollarWise also awards one city with a \$10,000 grant to integrate financial education into a summer youth program and one \$10,000 award to a city to provide youth with financial education training year-round. Applications for both the Innovation and Summer Youth Grants are released in November of each year, and anounced the following January.

DollarWise Month

During the months leading up to April,

DollarWise encourages mayors to support
free Volunteer Income Tax Assistance
(VITA) Sites, the Free File Program, and
the Earned Income Tax Credit, to help
Americans complete their tax returns, and
to save for retirement.

- 1 Go to: usmayors.org/
 dollarwise and register
 your city for the DollarWise
 Campaign and each
 DollarWise initiative.
- 2 Participate in and promote the 2018 DollarWise Summer Youth Contest.
- 3 Integrate financial education into your city's ESL and Prisoner Reentry programs.
- Apply for the 2019
 Innovation and Summer
 Youth Campaign Grants.
- 5 Participate in DollarWise
 Month and promote VITA
 sites, Free File, and the
 EITC in your city.