INSTRUCTIONS

SHEET 5

Every dollar of your income should be allocated to some category on this sheet. Money "left over" should be put back into a category even if you make up a new category. You are making the spending decisions ahead of time here. Almost every category (except debt) should have some dollar amount in it. Example: If you do not plan to replace the furniture, when you do replace it you will cause strain or borrowing, so go ahead and plan now by saving. I have actually had people tell me that they can do without clothing. Oh come ON!! Be careful in your zeal to make the numbers work that you don't substitute the urgent for the important.

Fill in the amount for each subcategory under "Subtotal" and then the total for each main category under "Total." As you go through your first month, fill in the "Actually Spent" column with your real expenses or the saving you did for that area. If there is a substantial difference in the plan versus the reality something has to give. You will either have to adjust the amount allocated to that area up and another down or you will have to better control your spending in that area.

"%Take Home Pay" is percentage of take home pay or what percentage of your total take home pay did you spend on "Housing", as an example. We will then compare your percentages with those on Sheet 6 to determine if you need to consider adjusting your lifestyle.

- * beside an item means you should use the "envelope system"
- (1) Emergency Fund should get ALL the savings until 3-6 months of expenses have been saved.

Note: Savings should be increased as you get closer to being debt free.

Hint: By saving early for Christmas and other gifts, you can get great buys and give better gifts for the same money.

MONTHLY CASH FLOW PLAN

Budgeted	Sub		Actually	% of Take
<u>Item</u>	Total	TOTAL	Spent	Home Pay
CHARITABLE GIFTS				-
SAVING				
Emergency Fund(1)				
Retirement Fund				
College Fund				
HOUSING				
First Mortgage				
Second Mortgage				
Real Estate Taxes				
Homeowners Ins.				
Repairs or Mn. Fee				
Replace Furniture				
Other				
UTILITIES				
Electricity				
Water			·	
Gas				
Phone				
Trash				
Cable				
*F00D				
*Grocery				
*Restaurants				
TRANSPORTATION				
Car Payment				
Car Payment				
*Gas and Oil				
*Repairs and Tires				
Car Insurance				
License and Taxes				
Car Replacement				
PAGE 1 TOTAL				

Budgeted	Sub		Actually	% of Take
<u>Item</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Home Pay</u>
*CLOTHING				
*Children				
*Adults				
*Cleaning/Laundry				
MEDICAL/HEALTH				
Disability Insurance				
Health Insurance				
Doctor Bills				
Dentist				
Optometrist				
Drugs				
PERSONAL				
Life Insurance				
Child Care				
*Baby Sitter				
*Toiletries				
*Cosmetics				
*Hair Care				
Education/Adult				
School Tuition				
School Supplies				
Child Support				
Alimony				
Subscriptions				
Organization Dues				
Gifts (inc. Christmas)				
Miscellaneous				
*BLOW \$\$				
PAGE 2 TOTAL				

SHEET 5 CONTINUED Budgeted	Sub		Actually	% of Take
<u>Item</u>	Total	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Home Pay</u>
RECREATION				
*Entertainment				
Vacation				
DEBTS (Hopefully -0-)				
Visa 1				
Visa 2				
MasterCard 1				
MasterCard 2				
American Express				
Discover Card				
Gas Card 1				
Gas Card 2				
Dept. Store Card 1				
Dept. Store Card 2				
Finance Co. 1				
Finance Co. 2				
Credit Line				
Student Loan 1				
Student Loan 2				
Other				
Other		•		
Other		•		
Other				
Other		•		
PAGE 3 TOTAL		•		
PAGE 2 TOTAL				
PAGE 1 TOTAL				
GRAND TOTAL				

ZERO

-TOTAL INCOME

ZERO