Life Scenario

Occupation: Dental Assistant

Spouse: Single

Children: One (12 years old)

Round One: Using the budget bean sheets, highlight one item in each category. Keeping in mind your life scenario (single, married, or married with children, one income or two incomes)

- Housing
- Savings (Pay Yourself First)
- Utilities
- Transportation
- Healthcare
- Childcare (if needed)
- Food
- Communication
- Personal Care
- Clothing
- Entertainment
- Gifts
- Other Expenses



When complete, count how many beans you have spent. What is the number of bean you spent?

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Round Two:
Monthly Salary: \$3500 (\$42,000 a year)
Taxes taken directly from pay: \$600
Take – home pay: \$ 2900 (player has 29 beans to pay for all expenses)
Do you have enough "beans" to pay for the remaining items?
Total beans budgeted minus 29 =
How can you move/shift the beans around to pay for all your necessary expenses?
What have you budgeted that can be considered a "want"?

What ways can you save money?