# The Wealth Builder Woman's Guide to Financial Independence

Most professional women I talk to work hard and make good money... but still feel stuck in their wealth-building journey.

Does any of this sound familiar?

- Spending more than you planned (and wondering where the money went)
- Not really sure how to start investing in a way that can build you wealth
- Struggling to stick with a budget
- Carrying consumer credit card debts that feels never-ending
- Feeling anxious or even guilty about spending money even when it's on the "right" things

I get it! I've been there too, and I know how overwhelming it can feel.

The good news? There's a way out. This guide will show you the same path wealthy women follow to build real independence in a simple, fun, and empowering way.

And here's the best part: you don't have to figure it out alone. There's a growing movement of families breaking free from the cycle and creating lasting wealth. Have you heard of the **FIRE movement** (Financial Independence, Retire Early)?

More and more people are jumping on this wealth-building path. They're reaching financial independence through long-term investing and by organizing their money in a way that creates consistent wins — not by chasing trends, but by following a proven system that works.

This guide will give you a glimpse of that system.



### What Is The Fire Movement?

What Does Fl Mean?

It is when your money (investments and assets) makes enough to cover your lifestyle without needing a paycheck.

## Pre-requisit to How to Get to FI?

Here's the simple roadmap you need to discover:

- 1. Know your expenses (monthly + yearly). \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Know your liabilities (debts holding you back). \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Know your assets (what's growing your wealth). \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Calculate your net worth = Total Assets Total Liabilities \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Calculate how much you need to retire \_\_\_\_\_
  - Apply the 25x Rule → FI Number = 25 × your yearly expenses.
  - Example if you're your yearly expenses is 50000
  - You would need  $25 \times 50000 = 1,250,000$  to retire
- 6. Determine Annual contribution target
  - How much can you contribute each month?



- Use compound growth math like Investor.gov Compound Interest
   Calculator or Bankrate Investment Calculator to figure out how much you need to invest each year.
  - o Example: To get from \$0 to \$1M in 20 years at 8% returns  $\rightarrow$  ~\$21,850/year invested.
- Calculate which age you would be able to meet your retirement/FIRE number.
- This is your **savings/investing goal.**
- 7. Automate the System
  - Remove willpower
  - Example automation:
    - 1. Paycheck → Checking
    - 2. Checking → Bills auto-paid
    - 3. Auto Saving/Investing



# Reflection Time 🗟

| ← What does financial independence mean to YOU?           |  |
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| ← Why don't you think this is possible for you right now? |  |
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Here's how successful women handle their money, so it works for them — saving smartly and investing for the future.

Investment – 401k/403/457 – Saving for future you before it hits your paycheck.

HSA – Saving pre-tax money for medical expenses if you have a high-deductible health plan.

Checking account 1- Paycheck hits, pay bills

Saving 1: Sinking fund – Saving for Planned expenses

Saving 2: Emergency Fund – financial safety net

Roth/Traditional IRA – If you are eligible and have the funds

Brokerage account - Hyperaccumulation

- **i Emergency Fund** Money set aside for *unexpected*, *urgent* expenses that you can't plan for.
  - Examples: car breaks down, sudden medical bills, job loss
- **Sinking Fund** Money set aside for *planned, known expenses* that come up in the future.
  - Examples: holiday gifts, annual insurance premiums, family vacation



# The Secret to Wealth Building 💡

- ✓ Know your Net worth
- ✓ Spend less than you earn.
- ✓ Pay yourself first (investing is non-negotiable).
- ✓ Avoid high interest debts, anything above 7 %
- ✓ Let compounding work for you.
- ✓ Negotiate medical bills
- ✓ If you have credit card debts, stop using credit cards
- ✓ Set your investment on autopilot and get on with your life
- ✓ Every money you earn should be put/spent with focus on value.
- ✓ The single most important thing to your wealth is your savings rate, increasing your saving rate every year or everything you get a raise whichever comes first

