## **Monthly Budget Planner**

At the start of the month, enter your expected expenses in the "Expected budget" column. At the end of the month, enter what you actually spent in the "Actual spend" column, and use these numbers to inform next month's budget.

| Month:                 |                 |              |            |
|------------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|
| INCOME                 |                 |              |            |
| Total monthly income:  |                 |              |            |
| EXPENSES               |                 |              |            |
| Needs                  |                 |              |            |
| ltem                   | Expected budget | Actual spend | Difference |
| Mortgage/rent          |                 |              |            |
| Groceries              |                 |              |            |
| Utilities: Electricity |                 |              |            |
| Utilities: Gas/heating |                 |              |            |
| Utilities: Water/sewer |                 |              |            |
| Phone                  |                 |              |            |
| Internet               |                 |              |            |
| Transportation         |                 |              |            |
| Healthcare             |                 |              |            |
| Minimum loan payments  |                 |              |            |
| Child care             |                 |              |            |
| Other                  |                 |              |            |
| Other                  |                 |              |            |
| Other                  |                 |              |            |
| Total needs:           |                 |              |            |
|                        |                 |              |            |
| Wants                  |                 |              |            |
| Item                   | Expected budget | Actual spend | Difference |
| Subscriptions          |                 |              |            |
| Entertainment          |                 |              |            |
| Dining out             |                 |              |            |
| Travel                 |                 |              |            |
| Personal purchases     |                 |              |            |
| Other                  |                 |              |            |
| Other                  |                 |              |            |
| Other                  |                 |              |            |
| Total wants:           |                 |              |            |
|                        |                 |              |            |
| Savings                |                 |              |            |
| Item                   | Expected budget | Actual spend | Difference |
| Emergency fund         |                 |              |            |
| Retirement             |                 |              |            |
| Extra debt payments    |                 |              |            |
| Other                  |                 |              |            |
| Other                  |                 |              |            |
| Total savings:         |                 |              |            |
|                        |                 |              |            |
| TOTALS                 |                 |              |            |

**Total difference:** 

**Total monthly expenses:**