

# " LOOK INTO YOUR OWN FUTURE..."

## A Technology Career Research Project

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Throughout this project, you will determine what you would like to do with your life as far as a career; what you expect to earn to maintain your desired living style, and what choices you will need to make to make it all happen.

### STEP 1: Your Basic Wants and Needs....

Where do you wish to live: \_\_\_\_\_ Annual Estimated Cost of living : \_\_\_\_\_  
 What kind of car will you drive: \_\_\_\_\_ Purchase Price: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Your Estimated Cost of Living Details:

Will you Rent <input type="checkbox"/> or Own <input type="checkbox"/> your home:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Will you share expenses with another:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Will you have any pets:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Est. Home Maintenance and Upkeep:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Cable TV <input type="checkbox"/> or Satellite <input type="checkbox"/> :	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Telephone:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Electric:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Water and Sewage:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Computer/Dial-up/Internet:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Gas <input type="checkbox"/> or Oil <input type="checkbox"/> for home:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Food:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Clothing:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Recreation:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Vehicle Fuel and Maintenance:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Health Insurance/Dental/Vision:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Other Educational Needs:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Other Investments:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Other Unplanned Costs:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
<b>Total Estimated Costs:</b>	<b>Cost/Week: \$ _____</b>	<b>Cost/Month: \$ _____</b>	<b>Cost/Year: \$ _____</b>

### STEP 2: How Will You Pay for Your Basic Wants and Needs....

Based on the above total estimated costs, determine what actual jobs are available in the area in which you want to live that pay what you will need to earn. Then select the best job/position that you would prefer to have, and summarize it and any job requirements here (use back as needed- Additional Project Notes).

Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Educational Background Needed: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Job Requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Salary Earned: \$ \_\_\_\_\_/Week \$ \_\_\_\_\_/Month \$ \_\_\_\_\_/Year

### STEP 3: Determining the Difference....

Determine the difference between your desired living style, and the money you will make doing the job you wish to do. What will you do to make the two work for you. Will you have to take a second job to make ends meet?

Total Estimated Costs:	Cost/Week: \$ _____	Cost/Month: \$ _____	Cost/Year: \$ _____
Estimated Salary Earned:	Earned/Week: \$ _____	Earned/Month: \$ _____	Earned/Yr: \$ _____
The Difference:	Diff/Week: \$ _____	Diff/Month: \$ _____	Diff/Year: \$ _____

If the salary above is greater than your estimated costs, you are fine. If the costs are greater, then you will need to rethink your career goal and strategy. Solutions like changing your career, or taking a second job will need to be determined.

