

Have you ever felt like giving up because of your financial difficulties?

Are you interested in sharing your experiences with a research team?

WHY: Our team at New York State Psychiatric Institute is conducting a research study to test a new financial wellness program for people experiencing financial difficulties and recent thoughts of ending their lives. This program seeks to help people improve their financial situation and feel more hopeful about their future.

WHO: We would like to get input from people with lived experience to help us develop an effective program. We are looking for people aged 18-64 who have had thoughts of ending their lives because of their financial difficulties in the last 2 years (but not within the past 6 months).

WHAT: If you are interested in offering your input, we invite you to participate in a 90-min focus group via HIPAA-compliant Zoom. We will ask for your opinion about the types of supports that could be most helpful. We will also ask for your feedback on program activities and resources.

COMPENSATION: \$50 via PayPal.

HOW: If you are interested in participating, please fill out this form: <https://redcap.link/k2tsnxtf>. A member of our study team will contact you to give you more information about the focus group.

If you have any questions about this research study, please e-mail us at: fromhardshiptohope@nyspi.columbia.edu.

