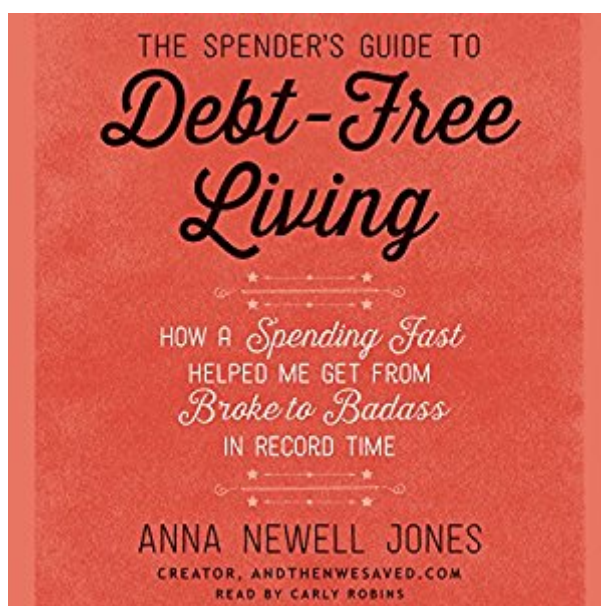


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The Spender's Guide To Debt-Free Living: How A Spending Fast Helped Me Get From Broke To Badass In Record Time



Synopsis

Popular blogger Anna Newell Jones of AndThenWeSaved.com delivers this self-help manifesto that reveals how a "spending fast" will help you get on the road to living debt free. In 2009, young photographer Anna Newell Jones was rapidly suffocating under the weight of too much debt. An inveterate spender, she was in way over her head, to the tune of almost \$24,000. She knew her debt was only going to get worse if she didn't take action, but she didn't know where to look for help. On a whim, Anna decided to go on a spending fast - an idea she heard in passing but knew little about. Creating her own method, she learned what worked and what didn't and wrote about it on her blog, AndThenWeSaved.com. Amazingly, Anna was able to eliminate all \$23,605.10 of her debt in only 15 months! She was interviewed in Forbes, Self, Glamour, Good Housekeeping, and the Chicago Tribune. Anna's journey inspired people and showed them that they too could change the way they dealt with their own money woes. The Spender's Guide to Debt-Free Living takes listeners through a detailed, step-by-step plan on how to do a spending fast and get out of debt, including:

- Creating a personalized debt-free life pledge
- Understanding where your money is going when you're in debt and where it will come from to pay it off
- Learning why putting money into a savings account before (or while) paying off debt may not be the best idea for you
- Finding additional income sources and generating side gigs
- Reintegrating spending into your life once you're out of debt so that you stay out of debt

Filled with do-it-yourself ideas, insight from experts, and tons of motivational tips and real-life practical advice, The Spender's Guide to Debt-Free Living proves that you don't have to win the lottery or get a new job to change your life.

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Customer Reviews

I just finished reading Anna's book and i really liked it. Not everything relates to me or my debt, but there are tons of tips and ideas in the book that i can use. For example, at the very end she gives you a list of 150 things to do besides spend money including washing your car, write someone a letter, bake cookies, lie in the grass and watch the clouds, pet your cat/dog, go on a hike, Netflix binge, dance, go for a bike ride, etc. I even added a few of my own when i made my own personal list like kiss my kids and call my parents/sibling. It really opened my up to the fact that there really are a billion other things that are better in life than buying something i don't need. She also discusses the way you will feel so much better once you are out of debt because now you can save more or put money towards a house or vacation or whatever you want. Anna Newell Jones also hits the nail on the head when she mentions that you are going to see your finances differently once you are done paying and paying off debt. Before i read this book, i was already in the process of paying down debt my own which has been working just fine, my system just needed a little tweaking... enter Anna's book... and while paying down my own debt i began to see money so differently. Not more important per se, just something that really did matter. I have kids and can't afford to be spending like its my day job because frankly its not. I'm a Navy wife with limited income and bills to pay and so i relate to Anna when she mentioned in the book that you are going to appreciate your money more and be careful what you are buying. The Needs and Wants lists were also dead on. I saw that my husband and I were constantly buying random stuff online, endless drinks at 7/11, tools from Lowe's, not to mention that the weekly Wal-Mart trips were adding up, etc. I had to put an end to it and im glad i did. Now we are seeing the light at the end of the tunnel and the dream house and dream vacations are almost within reach. As future "wanna be homesteaders," not having to rely on everyday things like internet, a mortgage, car loans, etc., is a seriously important thing to my family and i see now that i can make this dream happen. Anna's book definitely helped light a fire under my you know what!

I've followed Anna's blog for a long time. I've also read about every other book about money and debt free living out there, including The Total Money Makeover. However, something about Anna's methods and the way she explains them completely changed my way of thinking about debt, saving, and spending the way other books haven't. The thing I love the most is how she doesn't set hard and fast rules for you to live by. She encourages you to set your own rules so that you don't fail.

THAT is what sets this book apart from others. Lastly, Anna has done more than just write a book and start a blog. She has built a community that I'm proud to be a part of. She contributes to the conversations and shares all of her wisdom with us as we all fight our own battles with money. This book was money well spent!

This book was so perfect for me! It supplemented the other books I was reading about financial planning and debt management and gave me the solution I needed to tip the scales and get out of debt. A great resource and easy to read!

This book isn't anything new. I just liked the way this author presented it.

Great read! Even if you've perused Anna's website, you will want to buy this book to dog-ear the pages and make notes!

This book is down to earth and realistic! I am so pleased that I took the leap and made the small purchase. It has already changed my view of debt and lifted a huge weight. I recommend this book to anyone who is feeling overwhelmed by debt and everyday spending. Anna is a gem!

Some of the suggestions are a little extreme for me, but it does make you think about the different ways you overspend. Reading this helped me to make conscience decisions about what I buy instead of blowing money on ridiculous things.

I really enjoyed this book and have actually started implementing no spending on wants. Feeling very positive and on my third week. Anna gives a lot of good pointers. I would recommend this book to those that need that push away from the edge.

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