**Cost of Living Project**

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| **Type of Housing** | **Type of Job** | **Type of Student** | **Living Location** |
| 1. One bedroom apartment 2. Studio apartment 3. Renting a room 4. Sharing a house with two roommates | 1. Full time job 2. Part time job 3. Paid internship | 1. Full time student – in state/public university 2. Full time student – out of state university 3. Full time student – private university 4. Full time student – junior college 5. Part time student – junior college 6. Vocational / trade school | 1. Southern California 2. Northern California 3. Central California 4. Out of state |
| **Monthly Budget Includes:**   * Rent \* Cable * Food (Groceries) \* Car (Insurance, Gas, Repairs) * Utilities – water, gas, electricity \* Personal Items (makeup, shampoo/conditioner, etc) * Phone / internet \* Additional Incidentals (clothes/shoes/accessories, going out, etc) * School Costs (books, lab fees, etc) | | | |

You will be responsible for researching the cost of living for your selected life. In a MINIMUM six slide PowerPoint, you will report on the cost of living and your monthly budget. Remember to include additional costs you might encounter in your research (for example, you have chosen to live in New York, which has an exceptional public transportation system. Rather than owning a car, you instead research how much it costs for public transportation).

After researching how much your life will cost to live, report how much money you will be left with at the end of each month. Finally, write a reflection on what you learned in your research. What unforeseen costs did you not account for? Was your budget surprising? Why/not? As you plan for your future (which starts in just a few months!), what adjustments might you make to ensure that you are prepared financially to start your path as an adult?