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Paying the Tuition Bill

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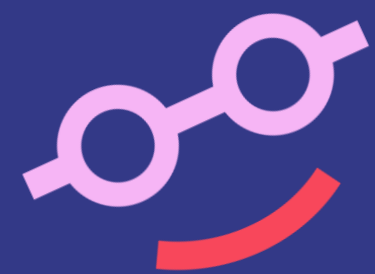
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Who is Paying the **Tuition Bill?**



What is the True Cost?

True cost accounting	Institution
Billed Costs Tuition, Room & Board, Commuter Meal Plan, Parking Pass, Health Insurance, Fees, etc.	\$50,000
Financial Aid* Institutional Grants/Scholarships Private Scholarships Federal Student Loans (\$5,500 before fees)	- \$18,000 - \$1,500 - \$5,442
Tuition Bill	\$25,058
Estimated Cost for 4 Years	\$100,232

*Federal Work-Study does not get applied to tuition bill.



Most Colleges Bill Per Semester

FALL SEMESTER

Due in the summer
(July/August)

SPRING SEMESTER

Due in winter
(November/December)



Reducing Costs

✓ Room & Board Options

✓ Health Insurance

✓ Sibling Discounts

✓ Academic Planning

Summer term

Graduating early

Transfer credits

✓ Student Scholarships

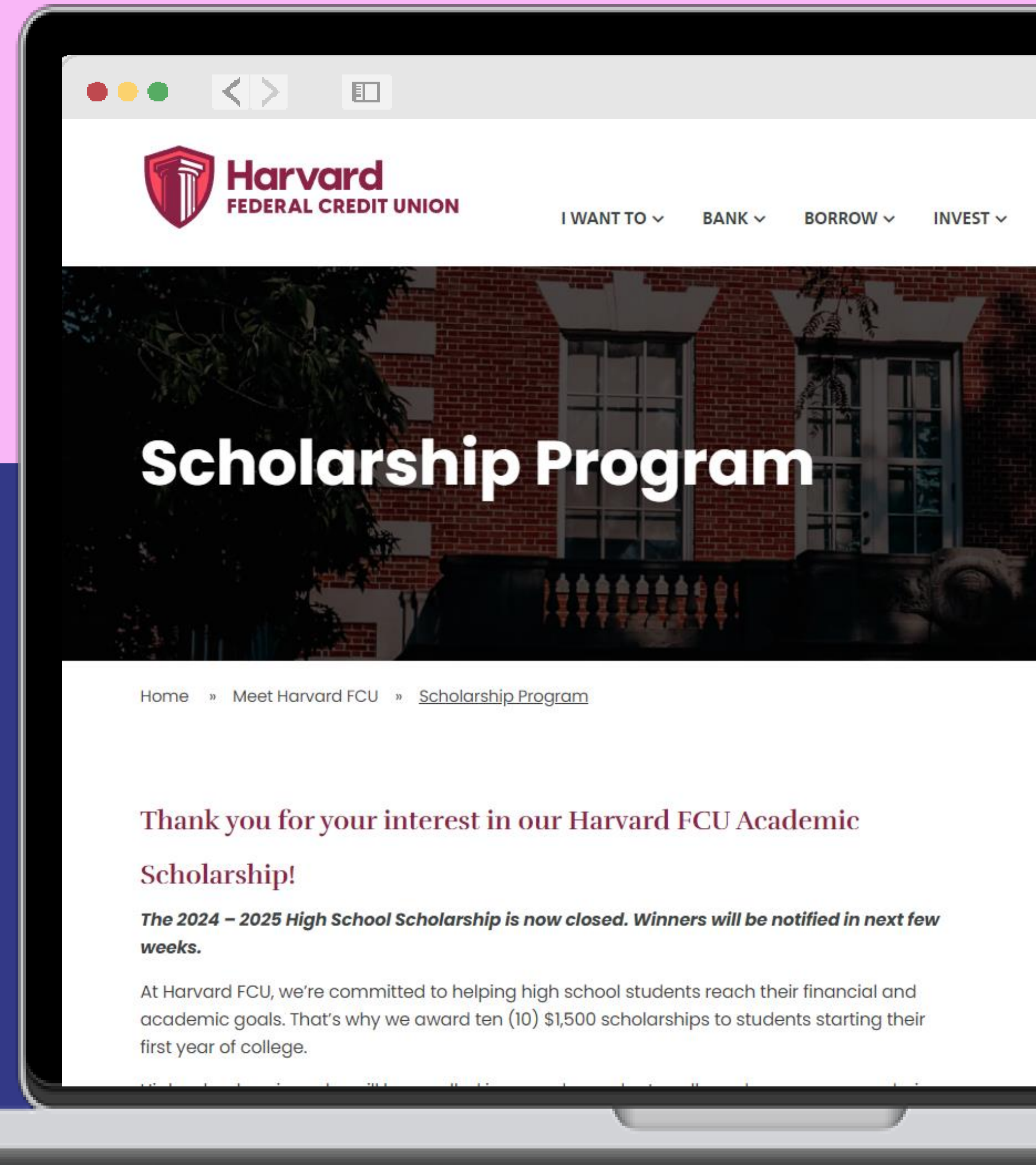
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Scholarships for returning students

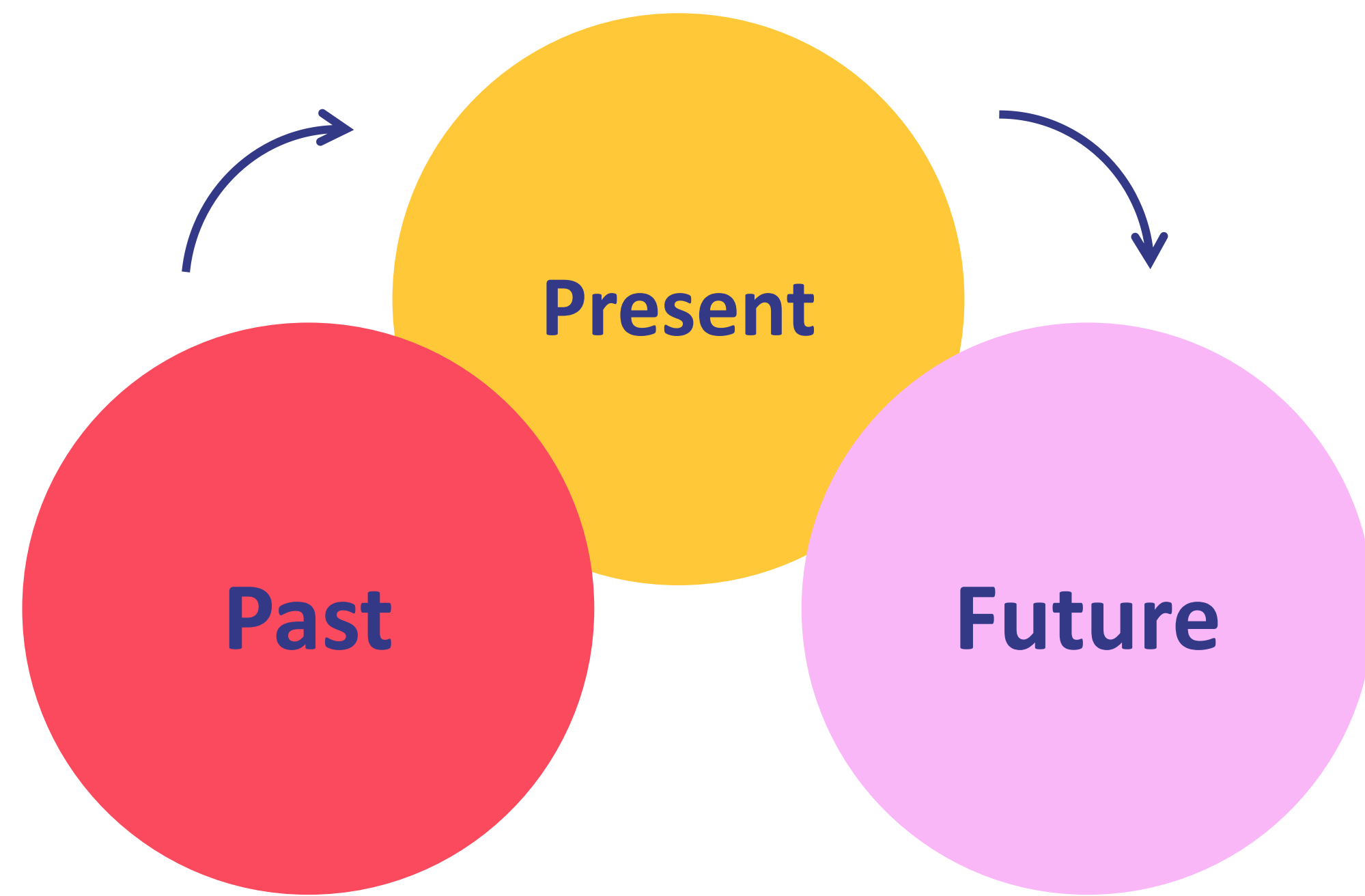


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Sources of Tuition Payment



Past Income: Savings

Your past income savings include your college savings plans and your personal savings accounts.

CONVERSATIONS TO HAVE

Use all funds for first year OR all years?

How/when do you need to withdrawal funds?

What about other children?



Present Income: Current Cash

Your present income includes lump sum payments and payment plans.

NEXT STEP

Review college website to see if payment plans are offered.





Future **Income**





Student Loans

✓ Federal Student Loans

Direct Subsidized & Unsubsidized

PLUS

Tend to offer more repayment, forgiveness, and deferment option

✓ Private Loans

Student Loans

Parent/Family Loans

Tend to offer lower rates and more loan programs

Federal Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans

Formerly Stafford Loans

The student is the borrower, no credit check required

Subsidized loans are only available to undergraduates

Deferred while enrolled at least half-time

6 Month grace period

Projected Fixed Rate for 2025-26

6.39% Undergraduate

7.94% Graduate

1.057% Loan fee for loans disbursed after 10/1/21 and before 10/1/25

Federal Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS	DEPENDENT	INDEPENDENT STUDENTS	MAXIMUM SUBSIDIZED
FIRST YEAR	\$5,500	\$9,500	\$3,500
SECOND YEAR	\$6,500	\$10,500	\$4,500
THIRD YEAR & BEYOND	\$7,500	\$12,500	\$5,500
AGGREGATE LIMIT	\$31,000	\$57,500	\$23,000

Federal PLUS & Graduate PLUS Loan

	PLUS	GRADUATE PLUS
BORROWER	Parent (student must complete FAFSA)	Student
GRACE PERIOD	None, but can request deferment	6 months
2025-2026 PROJECTED INTEREST RATE	8.94%	
LOAN FEE	4.228%	
CREDIT CHECK	Required	

Your Options

If you are denied Federal Parent Plus....

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Appeal

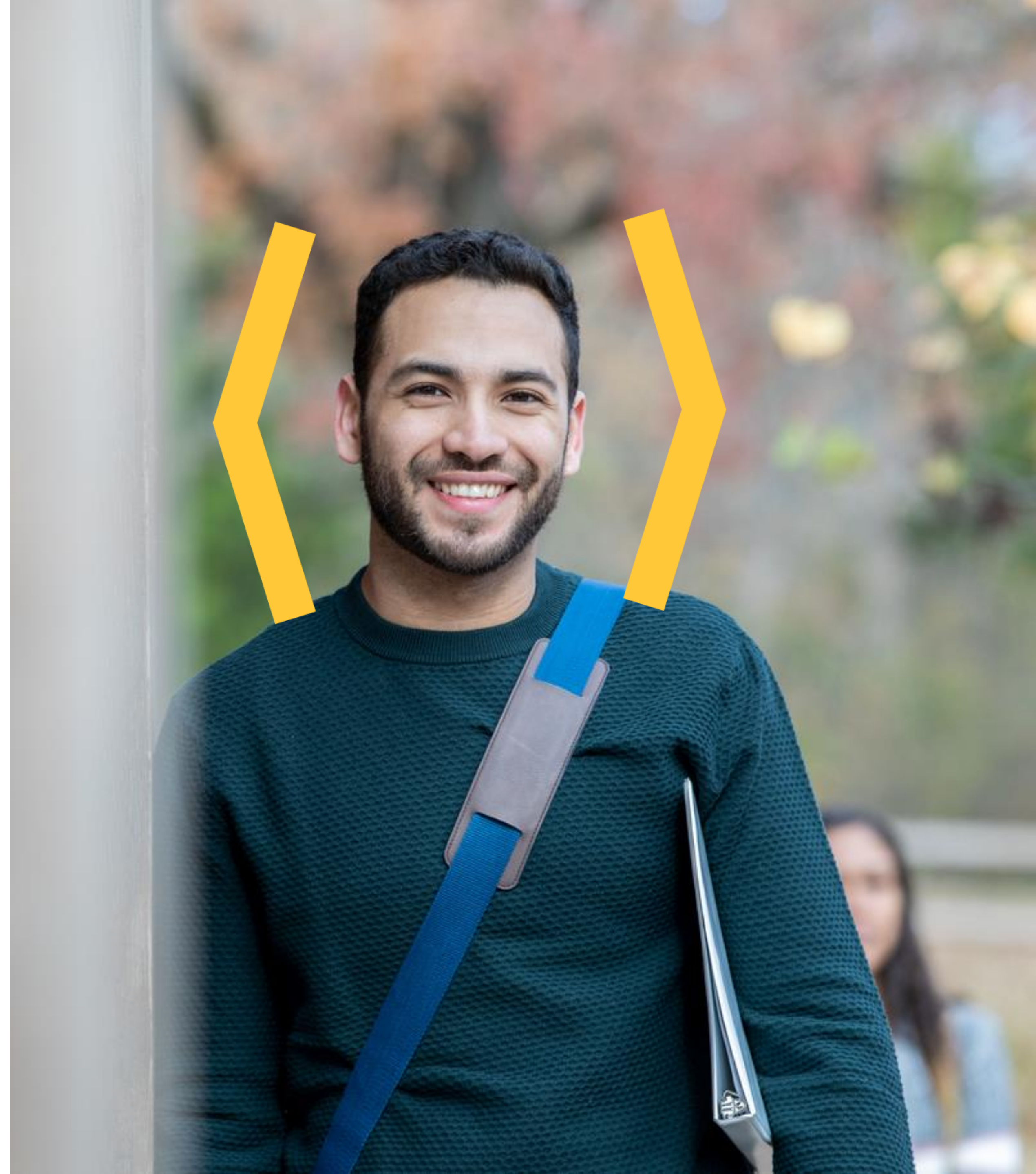
Appeal to the Department of Education

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Co-signer

Apply with an endorser (co-signer)

With either option, must complete 20 -30 minute online PLUS Credit Counseling.



Know The Details



AMOUNTS



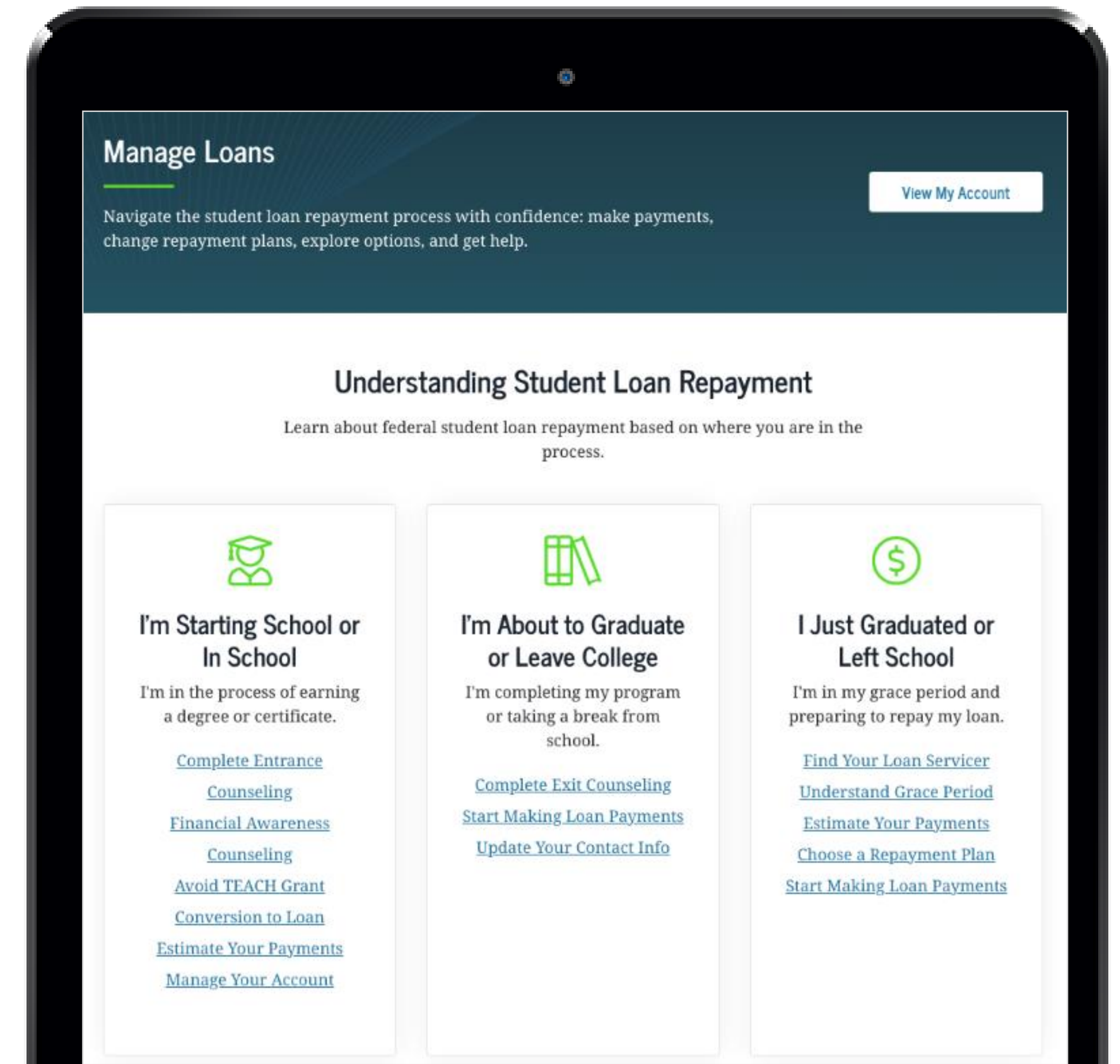
RATES



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More information on Federal Loans:

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Private Student Loans



Lender Options

Borrowed through bank, credit union, private company.



Terms Vary Based On Lender

You can shop around for interest rates. Grace periods may differ from lender to lender as well as repayment terms.



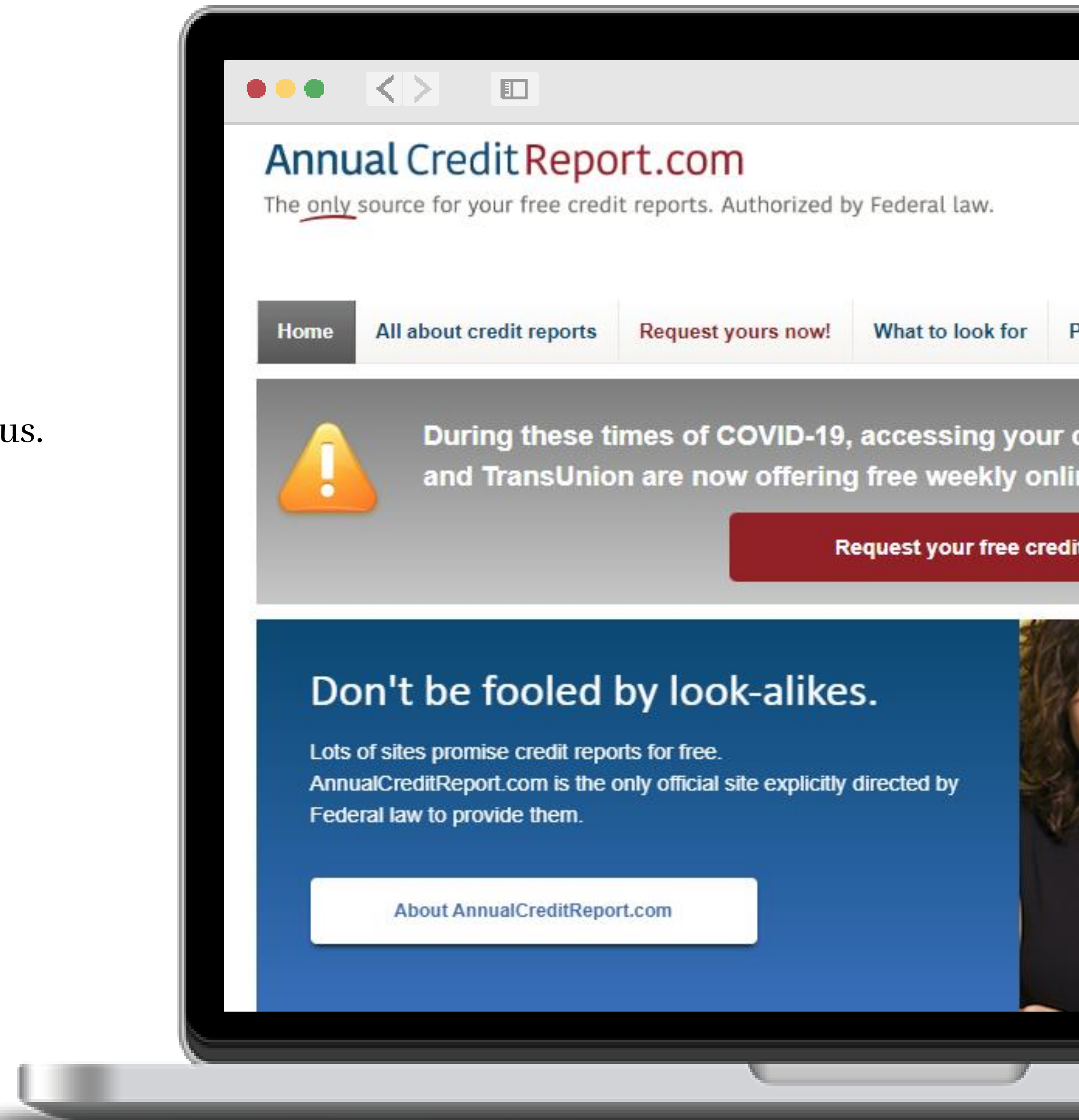
Potential Benefits

Co-signer release options.
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Non-Educational Loan Options

ITEMS TO CONSIDER

What would be tax implications?

What are the fees?

What if you need funds for an emergency?

What is impact on your retirement age?

Loan Factors to Consider

Amount (COA-Aid=Need)

Fees

Type of Interest Rate

Borrower

Pre-payment Penalties

*Some lenders offer interest rate discounts for automatic loan payments and co-signer release option



Loan Timeline

Educational Loans

Student/family applies for loan (annual or semester loan).

Once approved, student completes additional documents.

Institution is notified of approval and amount.

Funds are disbursed at a later date (set by school or lender).

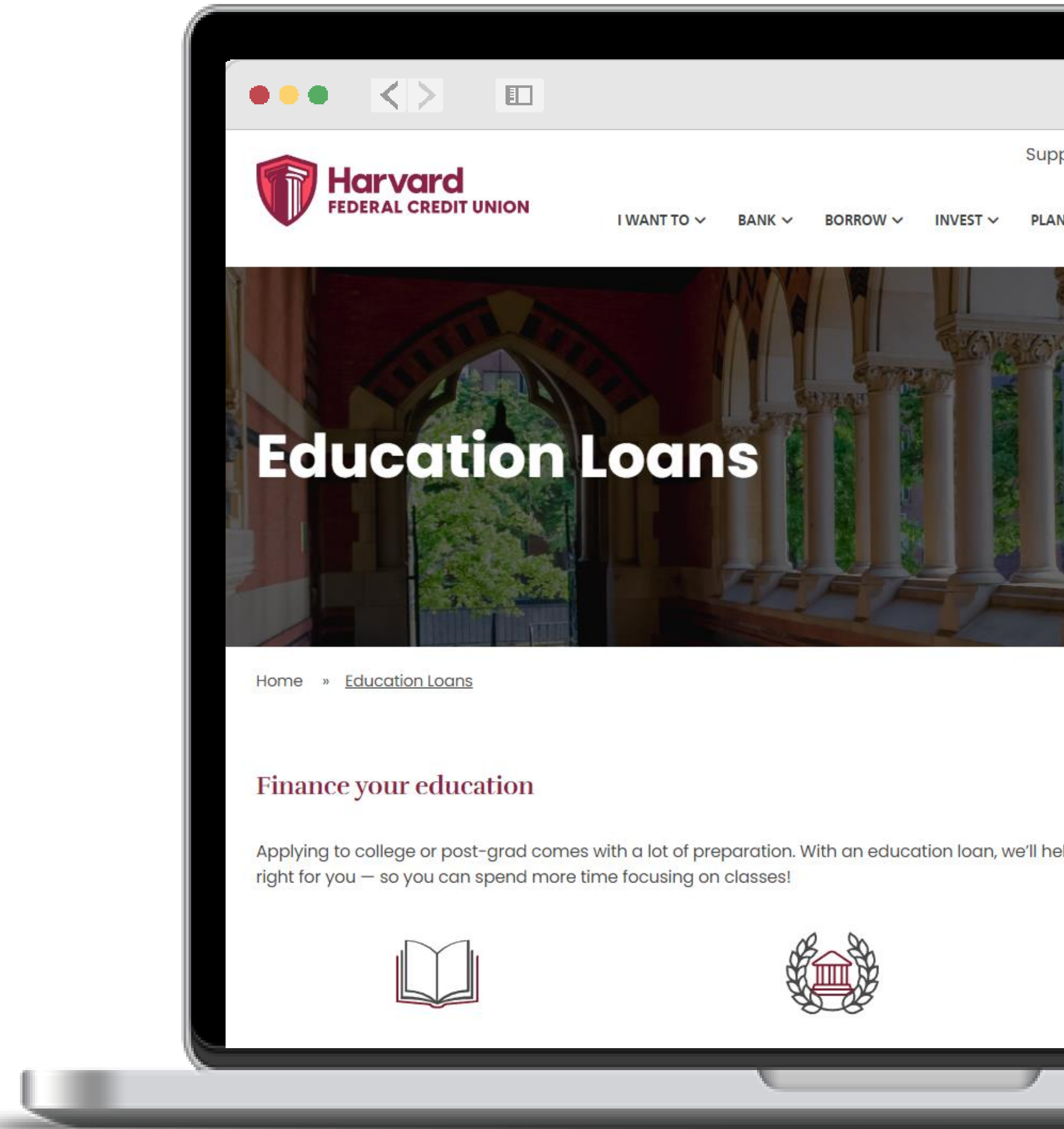
Non-educational Loans

Typically, funds are, sent to borrower *not* the school.



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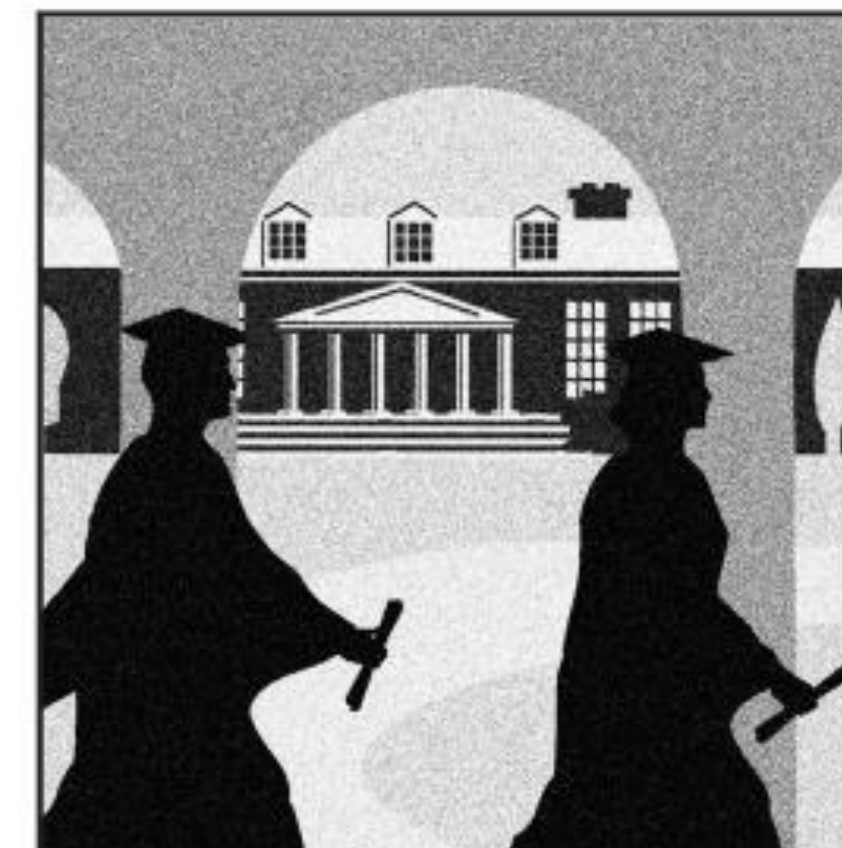
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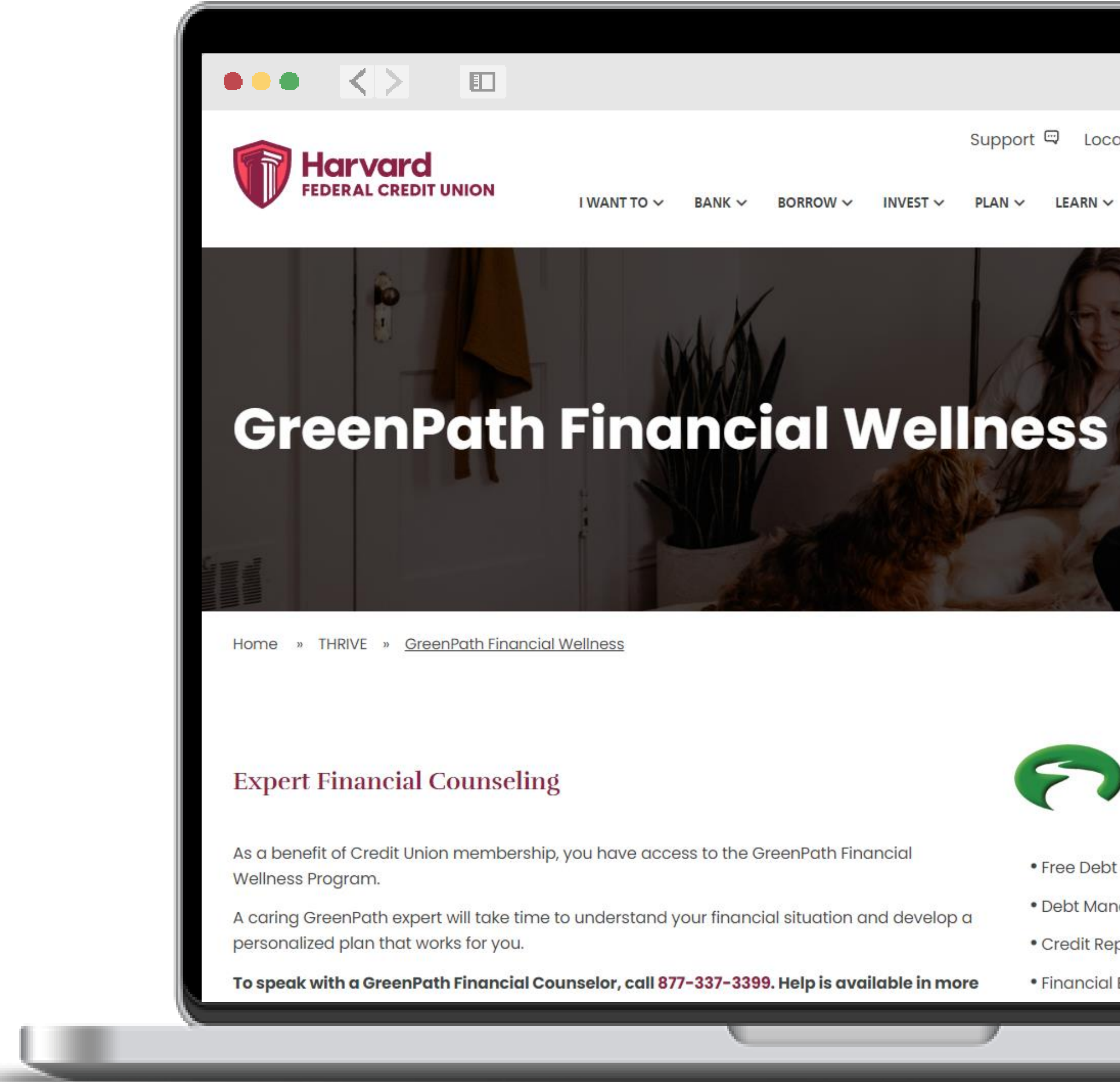
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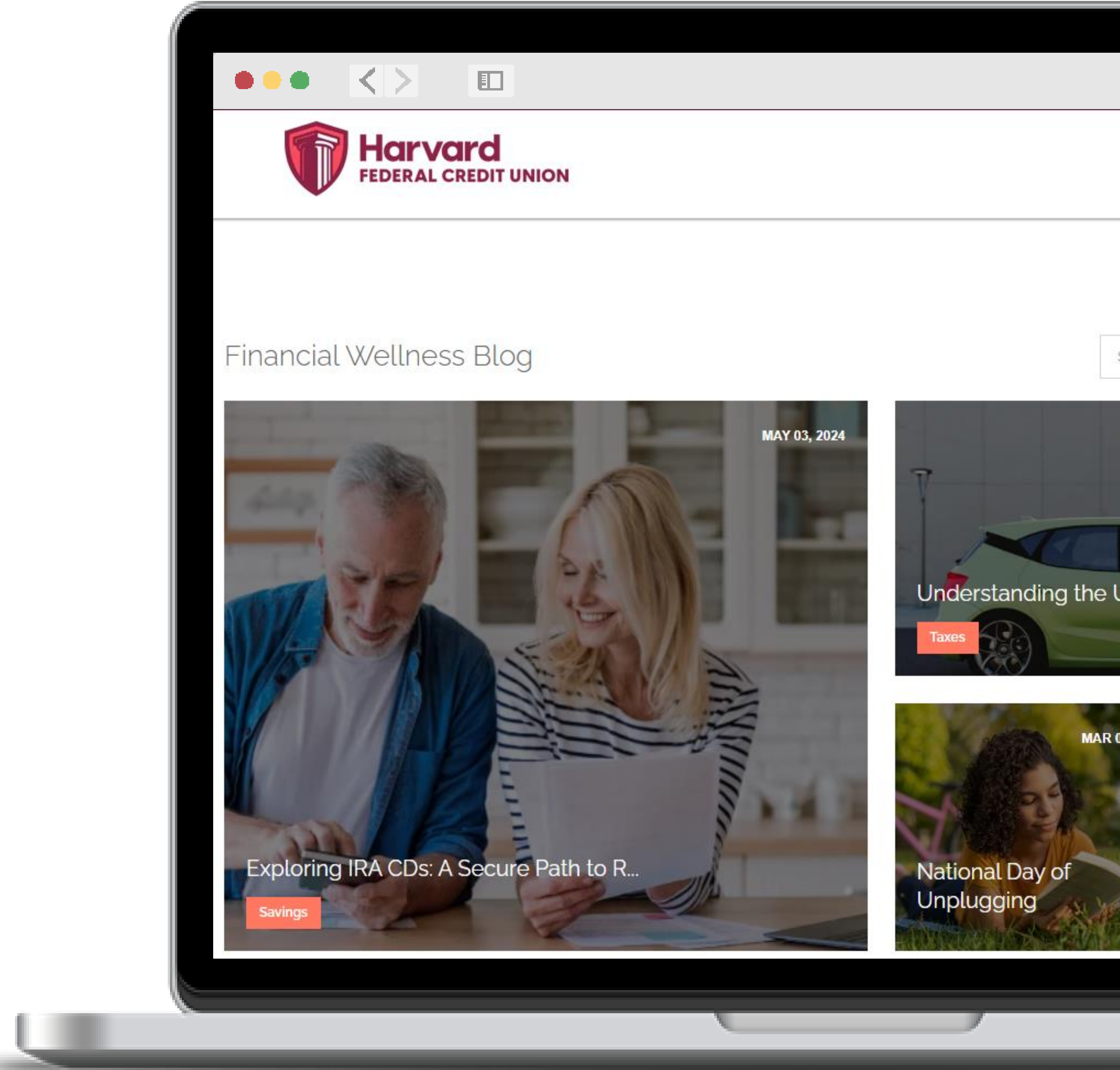
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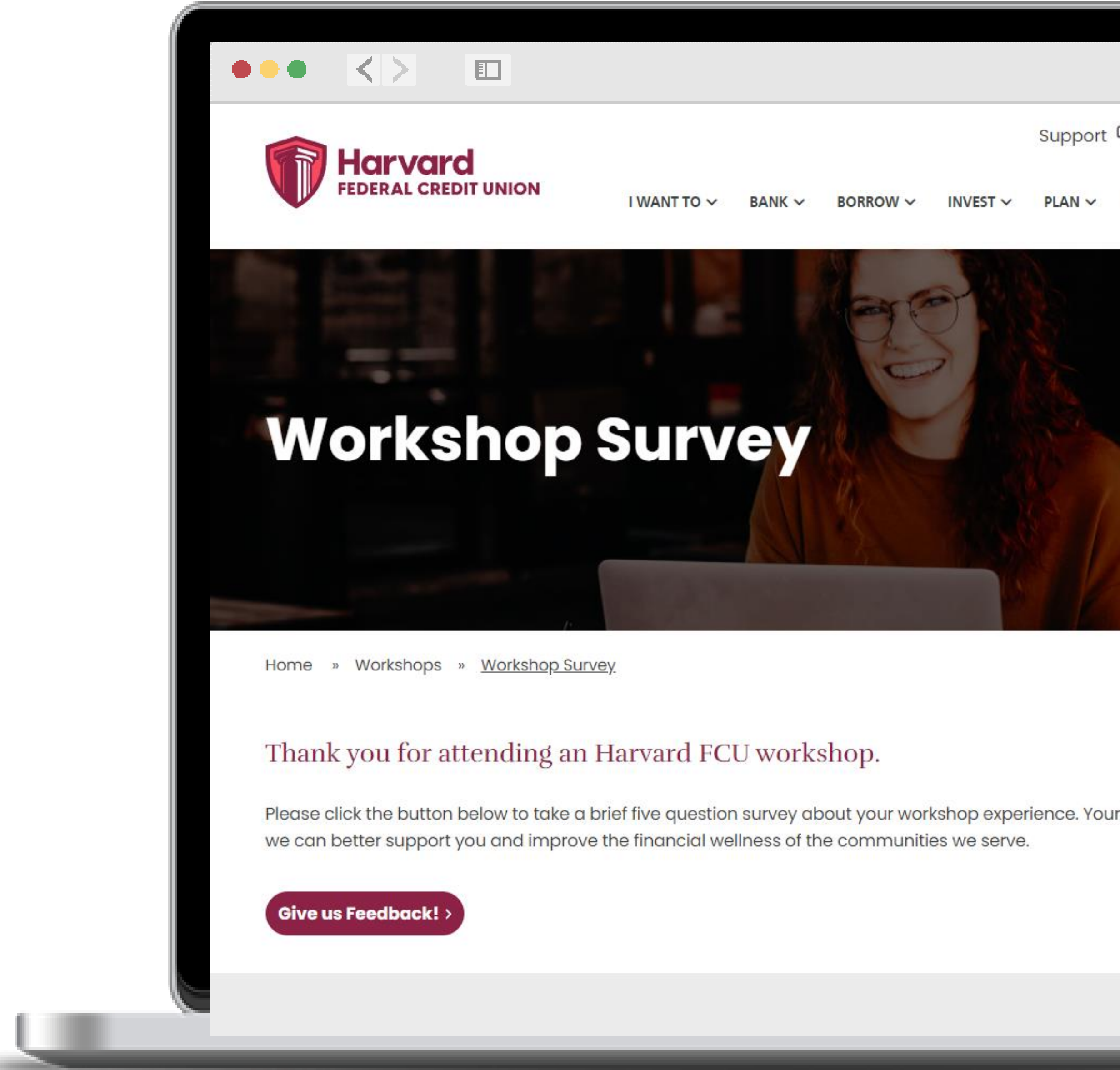
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