Budget Project

***\*DO NOT LOSE THIS SHEET***

1. JOB:
   1. What type of job do you want?
   2. What will your salary be?
   3. What type of college degree/training program will you need to obtain this job?
   4. Are there any jobs currently available in the area you wish to live?
      1. How much do they pay?
      2. Will getting to those jobs be an easy commute?
      3. What qualifications do they require?
   5. Will your job have union dues?
      1. How much will those cost?
2. COLLEGE/TRAINING PROGRAM:
   1. What are your top 5 schools or programs?
   2. Why are these programs the best? (What do they have to offer?)
   3. Where are these schools/programs located?
   4. How hard is it to get in to the program? What are the acceptance rates?
   5. How much will this program cost?
   6. Will you need to take out student loans?
      1. How much will loans cost? How much will interest cost?
3. APARTMENT/HOUSE
   1. How big of an apartment do you want? Do you want a house?
   2. Would you prefer to live alone or with roommates?
   3. Where do you want to live?
   4. Are you planning to live at home? For how long?
   5. How much do these types of places cost?
4. BILLS
   1. Do you want TV, Internet, a landline phone, a cell phone?
   2. What kinds of packages?
   3. How much will all these cost?
   4. How much will utilities (electric & gas) cost for your size apartment/house?
5. FOOD
   1. Will you cook at home, order out, eat fast food?
      1. Where will you grocery shop? (What’s close to the apartment or house you want to live in?)
      2. Where will you eat out? (What’s close to the apartment or house you want to live in?)
   2. How much will your style of eating cost? For a week? For a month?
6. TRANSPORTATION
   1. How far away will you live from your job, groceries, entertainment, etc.?
   2. Will you live in a city with public transportation?
      1. How much will it cost you to get to work and back, go grocery shopping, go out for fun?
   3. Will you have a car?
      1. How much will gas cost each week? Each month?
      2. How much will insurance for your car cost?
7. HEALTH INSURANCE
   1. Does your job offer health insurance benefits?
   2. How much does each plan cost?
   3. Which insurance company will you choose?
   4. Will you want an individual plan or a family plan?
8. TAXES
   1. Depending on where you live, will you will have to pay a city tax or property tax?
   2. What percentage be taken out for federal tax? State tax? Social security? Medicare?
   3. How often do you get a paycheck?
      1. How much will you have left in your paycheck after these taxes?
9. FUN STUFF
   1. What do you want to do for fun? List everything.
   2. How much will that cost?