



Tax Relief for Health Insurance Premiums

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) provides significant benefits for individuals responsible for their own health insurance. [Carolyn](#)

[McClanahan](#), a physician and nationally-recognized financial advisor, summarizes the ARP's tax benefits, which range from enhanced health insurance subsidies to COBRA premium assistance. A quick review of her ARP [overview](#) may lead to significant savings for you, a family member, or a friend. If so, acting quickly will save you money for months to come.

Five-Step Personal Spending Plan

Money can be a major stressor in life. Having a spending plan ensures you have money for what you need now, in the future, and all those joyful moments in between. [Anne Marie](#)



[Ashworth's Five-Step Guide](#) is an effortless way to create a plan, track the plan, and succeed with the plan. You can start today with one of Abacus's favorite apps to budget and track your money and your goals: [mint](#) and [simplifimoney](#).



Meet Our Team

Abacus is proud to announce [Edward W. Kramer, II](#) as a shareholder of the firm. Eddie joined Abacus after his college internship with us in 2004. Eddie returned to his beloved Texas in

2009. But his heart remained with Abacus, and he rejoined our organization in 2014. Eddie is now the lead advisor for our Fredericksburg, Texas, office. Eddie brings many talents to the firm, from his willingness to embrace change to his mastery of the art of listening. His biggest gift to the organization—his role as "Chief Energy Officer", which includes leading Abacus's [Laugh Club](#).

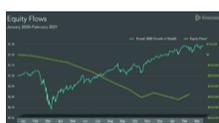
Abacus in the Community

[Columbia Green](#) has a vision for a greener Columbia: planting one square mile's worth of canopy and



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understory trees. In support of this goal, Abacus is a sponsor of this year's [Festival of Gardens](#). If you would like tickets to the two-day event on April 30 and May 1, [e-mail Landon Sawyer](#). If you plan to spend time in your own garden this spring weekend, Columbia Green's list of plants that are [beneficial to wildlife](#) can help you go native.



Athena's Corner: Lessons from 12 Months in the Markets

Just over a year ago, we were deeply anxious about our health and our wealth as markets plummeted due to the pandemic. What can we learn from this experience of navigating markets in times of uncertainty? Dimensional Fund Advisor's [Jake DeKinder](#) and [Mark Gochnour](#) share [stress-tested successful strategies](#) for unpredictable times.