Possible Solutions
Sample Monthly Budget with Expenses

| Category | Subcategory | Budgeted Amount | Actual Amount | Difference |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Income | Paychecks | \$1,638.46 | \$1,638.46 | \$0 |
| Household Expenses | Rent** | \$400.00 | \$400.00 | \$0 |
|  | Utilities** | \$125.00 | \$105.00 | +\$20.00 |
|  | Cell Phone | \$90.00 | \$90.00 | \$0 |
|  | Cable TV** | \$40.00 | \$40.00 | \$0 |
|  | Groceries | \$200.00 | \$350.00 | -\$150.00 |
|  | Loan Payment | \$125.00 | \$125.00 | \$0 |
|  | Clothing | \$150.00 | \$225.00 | -\$75.00 |
| Car Expenses | Car payment | \$248.00 | \$248.00 | \$0 |
|  | Gas | \$55.00 | \$57.00 | -\$2.00 |
|  | Car Insurance | \$65.00 | \$65.00 | \$0 |
|  | State inspection and registration** | \$7.00 | \$7.00 | \$0 |
| Savings | Savings Account | \$100.00 | \$100.00 | \$0 |
| Emergencies | Emergencies | \$95.00 | \$95.00 | \$0 |
|  | Totals | \$1,638.46 | \$1,907.00 | -\$268.54 |

*Budgeted monthly to cover annual cost.
**Rent, utilities and cable TV represent Roderick's half of the household expenses.
Any remaining amount could be rolled over into the next month's budget, added to savings, applied to next month's loan or credit card payments, etc.

