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5 STEPS TO A MINI-RETIREMENT CHEAT SHEET





Write Down Your Dream

Visualize what you hope to accomplish during your mini-retirement. What does "a typical day of mini-retirement" look like for you? Once you have a picture, you'll be more motivated to keep pushing to get there.



Figure Out Your Targets

Figure out your financial needs for the mini-retirement. What's your minimum annual budget? If you don't know, start to track your spending to get an idea of what you spend and where you can cut.



Build a Plan

Figure out how much you can stash away and how far you are from achieving your savings goal. Challenge your spending habits - what would you be willing to cut in order to make a mini-retirement possible?



Create Encouragement

Put tape on your credit card and write your mini-retirement target date on it to avoid frivolous purchases. Hang pictures that represent your mini-retirement in your office and home to keep motivated.



Prioritize to Get There Faster

Every month, chart your progress and analyze your spending. Is there anything you could cut to get to mini-retirement faster? What are you spending on now that's not actually more important than your dream?