About The Blog

Squared Away is a unique personal finance blog. Produced by the Center for Retirement Research at Boston College and written by a veteran newspaper reporter, it explores



news, research, and trends in retirement, financial behavior and psychology, and the economic environment that shapes our financial

decisions from college through mid-career and into retirement.

Weekly blog posts explain why some baby boomers start Social Security early while others choose to wait. Learn how young adults manage their student debt, how workers can better prepare to retire, why women face daunting obstacles to financial

security, and what is behind the financial challenges facing low-income and middle-class families. This blog is critical if you want to get your



all-important financial matters "squared away."

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Squared Away also advances the Center's mission of translating complex financial information and academic research into a readable form so that everyone — the public, policymakers, and financial advisers — can use it to improve all Americans' financial security.



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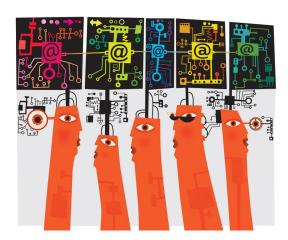
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Squared Away is "one of my go-to blogs. I look forward to sharing it with my clients.

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- Minnesota financial adviser Mark Zoril



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