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When it comes to finances, sometimes it's easy to get in too deep, find yourself deep in debt, and not know how to get out of the situation. If it gets to be too much, it may be a good idea to get professional help. Debt management companies can be the answer to get you back on your feet, whether you're just beginning to get into trouble and don't think you need help, or even if you're overwhelmed and on the verge on bankruptcy.

Debt management companies will work with you to make a financial plan that you can live with and that will satisfy your debtors. Most kinds of unsecured debt qualify for mediation through a debt management company, including money owed to the IRS, medical bills, credit card bills, student loans, and utility bills. Debt management companies can also help with "credit repair," making sure everything on your credit report is accurate.

A good [debt management](#) company will usually provide several services. They will examine your income and expenses and work with you to determine a livable budget while allocating a set amount to put in a special account each month that will go toward paying your debt. Counseling clients on income management is also a part of the services they offer. A "debt management plan," or DMP, in writing should be provided to clients.

The debt management company will contact your creditors and work out a repayment plan. Creditors will often lower monthly payments, waive late fees, and lower interest rates to make it easier to repay your debt. The creditors are then paid monthly, semi-monthly, or even weekly from the debt repayment account.

When a debt management company goes to work for you, they can stop collection agencies and creditors from harassing you. Creditors are usually more than happy to work with a debt collection company because then they know they will get paid.

Be careful when choosing a debt management company. Make sure they are accredited or listed with the Better Business Bureau in the company's area, and examine their fee structure and service agreement. Shop around and ask for referrals. Keep in mind that Not-For-Profit doesn't mean the company doesn't make money from your business; it only means they don't pay taxes. Finding the right company can make debt management a relief rather than a nightmare.