

UNITE AGAINST THE CYCLE.

MAKE SAVING A “HOOT”!

Show your child how saving can be fun with an owl bank craft!

Let the Savings Fly In With This DIY Owl Bank

Help your child create an owl bank with a piece of cardboard and a toilet paper tube and watch their excitement to save grow. Your child will be excited about having created their own bank and won't be able to wait to use it! You get the quality time of making something together while also creating the opportunity to talk about why saving money is important.



Conversation Starters - Get Kids Thinking and Talking:

- *What do you want to save for?*
Could be to make a large purchase later – Try relating it to an item they want and could save for.
- *Have you considered sharing your savings with others?*
Could donate to charities –Decide as a family what you are passionate about?
- *Have you planned for emergencies?*
Discuss unexpected expenses and how it is easier to handle when you have an emergency fund.

How to Turn an Empty Toilet Paper Roll into a Bank:

- Grab an empty toilet paper roll, a flat piece of cardboard or fabric, glue, and whatever you will want to use to decorate (stickers, markers, fabric, etc.)
- Hold the toilet paper roll vertically and fold the top of the tube in on both sides so it forms flaps at the top
- Decorate the tube to give the owl color and a face
- Glue the bottom of the tube to a flat piece of cardboard, a piece of cloth, or tape it shut
- Unfold the top flap to put change in and fold it back down when you're done
- Take a picture of your new banks and share your experience on social media using **#unitePHX**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

If your child would like to learn more about United Way's work in the community to end the cycle of poverty, visit [vsuw.org/community-objectives](https://www.vsuw.org/community-objectives)

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