

# FINANCIAL FOCUS

## Look at your financial situation holistically



By Cory Taylor

When you plan a trip, you consider not only the destination but also the climate, activities that interest you, transportation needs, anticipated costs, best time to go and coverage for your work, home or pets. It's a holistic approach — looking at your trip from a variety of angles. It's wise to apply that same holistic thinking when you plan

for your financial future — that is, bringing into the picture all elements of yourself.

Here are some things that may affect your financial strategy:

### Your views on helping your family

Your decisions about helping your family are clearly going to be a major part of your financial strategy, and this is true at virtually all stages of your life.

When your children are young, you'll need to decide if you're going to save money for their college education, and if so, how much, and in what investments.

When they're young adults, you may also need to decide how much financial support you're willing to provide for

major expenses such as down payments on a new home or a new car.

And when you're drawing up your estate plans, you'll need to consider how and when to distribute assets to your children, grandchildren or other family members.

### Your personal beliefs

As someone with civic, ethical and moral concerns, you may feel compelled to make charitable gifts throughout your life and then make philanthropy part of your legacy. To accomplish these objectives, you'll want to include gifting techniques in your financial strategy today and your estate plans for tomorrow. Of course, for the estate-planning component,

you'll need to work with your tax and legal advisors.

### Your purpose in life when you retire

Having a purpose can bring fulfillment beyond financial security. Leading up to retirement, your purpose may involve providing for your immediate family, bringing value to your profession or contributing to your community.

When you retire and step off your career path, you're entering a new world of possibilities. How will you define, and live out, your new sense of purpose at this stage of your life?

Do you seek to broaden your horizons by traveling around the world? Or spend more time volunteering? Can you pursue

hobbies that give you a chance for self-expression? Each of these choices will carry different financial implications for how much you'll need to accumulate for retirement and how much income you will need to take out each year from your retirement accounts, such as your IRA and 401(k).

### Your health

Your physical and mental health can play big roles in your financial plans and outlook.

On the most basic level, the healthier you are, and the better you take care of yourself, the lower your health care bills will likely be during retirement, which will affect the amount you need to put away for health care.

And you also may need

to prepare for the costs of long-term care, which can be enormous — in fact, a private room in a nursing home can easily cost \$100,000 per year, according to Genworth, an insurance company.

It can be challenging to weave all these elements into a single, unified vision, so you may want to get some help from a financial professional. But, in any case, be prepared to look at your situation holistically because, when putting together a lifetime's financial strategy, every part of your life matters.

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## Capital City Bank Foundation donates \$8,000 to local groups

Capital City Bank Group (CCBG) Foundation — a nonprofit organization created in 1983 by Capital City Bank Group, Inc. — has reinvested \$8,000 into several nonprofit groups serving the Taylor and Madison county communities.

For 42 years the CCBG Foundation has donated annually to charitable institutions across the Capital City footprint in Florida, Georgia and Alabama.

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During the 2025 grant cycle, the CCBG Foundation contributed \$8,000 into Taylor and Madison counties, awarding grants to Boys and Girls Club of North Central Florida, Perry Garden Club, Boyz to Kings, Taylor County Animal Advocates and Cast and Company Drama Group.

“The donations provided by the CCBG Foundation help nonprofits carry on the mission of the foundation to enhance the quality of life for countless local citizens in the areas where we do business,” said Marvin Brooks, Capital City Bank president of Madison and Taylor counties.

“Supporting organizations

that create meaningful impact in our communities aligns with the mission of the Capital City Bank Group Foundation,” Brooks added.

“We are honored to help strengthen our community through the dedication of our bankers and financial contributions that support lasting, positive change.”

The CCBG Foundation provides grants to nonprofits, charitable organizations, and institutions exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the

Internal Revenue Code.

The mission of the CCBG Foundation is to invest in initiatives that benefit local communities. Most of the funds are distributed to specific areas of focus, including: arts/culture, children/youth services, economic/community development, education, health/sciences and human services.

For more information on the Capital City Bank Group Foundation, visit [www.ccbgfoundation.org](http://www.ccbgfoundation.org).



Marvin Brooks

## ‘Rural Business Resource Tour’ kicks off Thursday at BBTC

FloridaCommerce and the Florida Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Network will hold the official “kick-off event” for their statewide “Florida Rural Business Resource Tour” this Thursday, Oct. 2, at Big Bend Technical College (BBTC) in Perry.

The multi-agency traveling resource fair is

designed to connect rural businesses and aspiring entrepreneurs with the tools, training and support they need to thrive -- all in one convenient location.

Participating agencies will include: CareerSource Florida, Florida Chamber of Commerce, Florida Department of Business & Professional

Regulation, Florida Department of Education, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Florida Department of Management Services, Florida Department of Transportation, Florida First Finance, FloridaMakes, University of Florida IFAS, Small Business Administration and Visit

Florida. There is no cost to attend the “Kick-off Event,” which will run from 2-6 p.m. at BBTC

Those interested in attending are asked to go to Building “A” behind the flag pole.

To register for the free event, visit: <https://floridasbdc.org/services/>

training/live-training-calendar/.

According to FloridaCommerce officials, those who attend will receive:

- One-on-one access to federal, state and local business support organizations,
- Insights on financing, licensing, workforce

development and more.

• Resources to strengthen business resiliency and digital readiness,

• Networking opportunities with fellow business owners and community leaders.

“Don’t miss this opportunity to take your rural business to the next level,” officials said.

## Presley was ejected from vehicle during crash

### DUI

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Sr. reported. Presley, who was not wearing a seatbelt, was ejected from the back seat of the vehicle.

Dorris, and his passenger, a 48-year-old female also from Cantonment, sustained minor injuries in the crash.

An eyewitness reported

that Dorris exited the vehicle — which came to a final stop on its passenger side door — from the driver’s door, and the woman climbed out of the vehicle through its open sunroof.

The witness also stated she saw the transformer “explode” when Dorris’ vehicle crashed into the utility pole.

“Trooper Colby Bethea was the crash investigator,

and during the course of his traffic crash investigation, detected the odor of an alcoholic beverage while conversing with (Dorris),” Cross reported.

Dorris refused the troopers’ request for a voluntary blood draw, and also refused to perform any field sobriety exercises.

The trooper issued a warrant on-site for the blood draw, which administered

by a paramedic on scene.

The samples were sent to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) for testing.

During an interview Cross conducted with Dorris at the scene, the Cantonment man stated he and his passengers had been in Steinhatchee on business, had eaten dinner at a local restaurant and listened to a live band.

He stated they were returning to their living quarters at Lodging Solutions south of Perry on U.S. 19 when the crash occurred.

The female passenger was also interviewed at the scene, and confirmed that Dorris was the driver at the time of the crash, and that a deer, or some other animal, had run from the median into their lane.

Just over a month later, on July 28, Cross received the BAC results from the FDLE showing Dorris’ BAC was 0.105 (the legal limit in Florida is 0.08).

An arrest report was filed on Aug. 8, and Dorris was taken into custody six weeks later.

He posted a \$30,000 bond and was released the same day.

## Weed: Situation ‘starts to clarify’ as more evidence is obtained

### SHOOTING

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gunshot wound.

While grand jury proceedings are confidential, Assistant State Attorney John Weed stated that “as more evidence is obtained, the situation starts to clarify, so charges change accordingly.”

The grand jury also indicted Price on one count

of burglary with assault.

Price himself suffered a gunshot wound during the exchange of gunfire, and he was arrested when he was released from the hospital.

The quadruple shooting occurred at Perrytown Apartments just four minutes after midnight (12:04 a.m.) on Friday, Aug. 21.

When officers and deputies arrived, they

observed Glover lying on the ground near apartment I-5 and two injured females inside a ground-floor apartment.

One officer begin administering CPR on Glover, and other officers “performed life-saving measures” on the two injured females (McIntyre and the third victim).

Within minutes, Century EMS responded

and transported both females to the Doctors’ Memorial Hospital (DMH) Emergency Room (ER). Price was transported to the ER by a private vehicle.

Glover, who suffered numerous gunshot wounds, was declared deceased at the scene.

The surviving female involved in the shooting told investigators “she

was at apartment I-6 when she heard a knock at the door. Her sister (McIntyre) answered the door, and two masked men (Glover and Price) began shooting with handguns as soon as the door was opened, striking her sister.”

“(She) stated that she retrieved a firearm and began returning fire. She stated both masked men were armed with firearms

and shooting. She stated that she could identify Glover, who she shot, but could not positively identify the other man before she was struck in the leg,” she told investigators.

When speaking to an investigator while at the ER, Price stated “he was present with Glover when the shooting occurred, but was otherwise not involved in the shooting.”

### LEGALS

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bidder in the Courtroom on the 2nd floor in the Taylor County, FL Courthouse on the 13th day of October 2025 at 11 o'clock a.m.

\*\* To participate in the bidding, you must be prepared to pay a NON-REFUNDABLE \$200.00 CASH deposit immediately following the sale of each parcel in which you are the highest bidder. \*\*

Dated this 5th day of September 2025  
Signature: Gary Knowles  
Clerk of Circuit Court  
Taylor County, Florida

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TDA 25-042

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that IDE Technologies, Inc., the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate, for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of the property and the names in which the property was assessed are as follows:  
Certificate Number 619  
Year of Issuance 2020  
Description of Property:

Parcel Number: R05137-000  
Described as: LEG 0000.24 ACRES - SPRING LAKE HEIGHTS - LOT 11 BLK D - SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07

Name in which assessed: Jack J. Fennell Estate & Geneva W. Fennell.  
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate is redeemed according to law, the property described shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Courtroom on the 2nd floor in the Taylor County, FL Courthouse on the 13th day of October 2025 at 11 o'clock a.m.

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Taylor County, Florida

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that IDE

Technologies, Inc., the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate, for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of the property and the names in which the property was assessed are as follows:  
Certificate Number 471  
Year of Issuance 2020  
Description of Property:

Parcel Number: R04128-000  
Described as: LEG 0000.26 ACRES - BLAIR-HINELY ADD - LOTS 2 & 3 BLK 10 - OR 353-816 DC 590-588 SECTION 24 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07

Name in which assessed: Iretta M. Poole Estate c/o Bennie Charles Poole.  
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.  
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Certificate Number 607  
Year of Issuance 2019  
Description of Property:

Parcel Number: R04856-000  
Described as: LEG 0000.11 ACRES - MILLDALE SUB - LOT 13 BLK 2 - OR 610-827 DC 634-368 SECTION 25 TOWNSHIP 04 RANGE 07

Name in which assessed: Robert L. Sprigle Estate.  
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.  
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bidder in the Courtroom on the 2nd floor in the Taylor County, FL Courthouse on the 13th day of October 2025 at 11 o'clock a.m.

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Certificate Number 1094  
Year of Issuance 2023  
Description of Property:

Parcel Number: R09307-000  
Described as: LEG 0000.74 ACRES -

COM SW COR OF SE 1/4 OF NW 1/4 RUN - N 89D 52M E 765 FT TO W RW US HWY - 19 TH N 31D 42M W 441.53 FT FOR POB - TH N 89D 52M W 300 FT N 31D 42M W - 150 FT S 89D 52M E 300 FT S 31D 42M E - E 150 FT TO POB - OR 458-523 DC OR 739-950 OR 780-11 SECTION 10 TOWNSHIP 07 RANGE 09

Name in which assessed: Bonnie DiVito, Trustee of the George Drawdy Irrevocable Special Needs Trust.  
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida.

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