

# The MEA Advantage: For Your Wallet

## Turning dues into savings

Through the collective power of MEA, your dues turn into savings for you and your family. And we're not talking about just a few dollars here and there – as an MEA member, you can save more money in a year than you spend on dues! Here's an example:

*John and Mary Smith are a married MEA couple – Mary is a teacher and John is a custodian. They work hard, own a modest home and two American-made cars, and have two children. Combined, they make about \$80,000 per year and are paying about \$1,000 in MEA dues. Like every working family, they have to meet a budget and make ends meet. Here's how they turn their MEA dues into savings:*

### MEA Financial Services insurance

Through MEA Financial Services, they save **\$300-500 per year on their home and auto insurance** premiums.\*

\* NOTE: Savings can vary significantly based on your personal situation – please call MEA Financial Services for a free, no-obligation quote at 800-292-1950 x7800 or go online to [www.meafs.com](http://www.meafs.com).

### MEA “everyday rewards” credit card

John and Mary each carry the no-annual-fee MEA Everyday Rewards Credit Card, which give them 4% cash back on gasoline, 3% on cinema and movie rentals, 2% on groceries and restaurants and up to 1% on other purchases. Each month, they spend on average \$700 on food, \$250 on gas, and \$50 on movies, plus other expenses they put on their card. Those cash-back rewards add up to **more than \$300 for the year.**



### MEA membership card discounts

Using discounts provided through their MEA Membership Card that they find using both the Members Only area of [www.mea.org](http://www.mea.org) and the My Deals mobile app, John and Mary **save more than \$1,600 per year** on everything from shopping and local services to entertainment and vacations!

So, \$300-500 saved on insurance.

More than \$300 in credit card rewards.

More than \$1,600 in discounts.

**John and Mary turn their MEA dues into real savings of more than \$2,200 per year!**

*And you can too!*

To access these and more ways to save, visit the **Members Only** section of [www.mea.org](http://www.mea.org).

### The Savings Really Add Up!

Purchase	Frequency	Typical Savings per purchase	Purchases per Year	Yearly Savings
<b>FOOD</b>				
Grocery Store Coupons	5 items per week	\$1.00	36	\$180.00
Dining–Lunch	1 meal/week	\$3.25	52	\$169.00
Dining–Dinner	2 meals/month	\$7.50	24	\$180.00
Pizza	2 purchases/month	\$8.00	24	\$192.00
<b>EVERYDAY NEEDS &amp; SERVICES</b>				
Apparel	8 items per year	\$15.50	8	\$124.00
Home Improvement	2 purchases/yr	\$50.00	2	\$100.00
Carpet Cleaning	1 purchase/yr	\$20.00	1	\$20.00
Misc. Shopping	8 purchases/yr	\$9.00	8	\$72.00
Flowers/Gifts	2 purchases/yr	\$4.50	2	\$9.00
Oil Changes	5 oil changes/yr	\$8.00	5	\$40.00
<b>ENTERTAINMENT</b>				
Bowling/Lasertag/Minigolf	4 purchases/yr	\$5.50	4	\$22.00
Theme Park Visits	4 passes/yr	\$15.00	4	\$60.00
Concert/Sports/Event Tickets	4 tickets/yr	\$19.00	4	\$76.00
Golf	4 rounds/yr	\$8.00	4	\$32.00
<b>TRAVEL</b>				
Hotel Stays	7 nights/yr	\$28.00	7	\$196.00
Car Rental	5 days/yr	\$14.00	5	\$70.00
Cruise	1 cruise for two/yr	\$35.00	2	\$70.00

**TOTAL SAVINGS \$1,612.00**