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Money Manager Evaluation

1. Summary page totals are confusing.

Description: "Total Monthly Budget" and "Total Remaining" fields sound like

they should be a sum of all of the individual budgets listed below

Heuristics: Visibility of System Status

Severity: Major

2. Unclear about purpose of "-" button

Description: The "-" button on the Expenses screen next to the "category" input box is ambiguous in its purpose. Clicking on it does not seem to do

anything.

Heuristics: Consistency and Standards

Severity: Minor

3. Adding multiple expenses

Description: On the Expenses page the user has the option to "Add Another Expense," "Save," and "Cancel." While all of these are good choices for buttons their interaction seems a bit off. "+" Button seems to work well, although when I press "save," I assume that those budgets should be saved and viewable under the view tab, which means pressing "save" should reset the page with to a single empty expense to add. This would also keep the user from pressing the save button twice if the fact that the data is still there indicates the save button isn't woking

Heuristics: Flexibility and Efficiency, Error prevention

Severity: Major

4. Adding Expenses

Description: As a different take on the same problem mentioned in number 3, instead of allowing the user to add multiple expenses at once, you might just allow them to add one at a time. This would eliminated the need for the "+" button and make the interface simpler. You would probably still want the "Save" button to operate similarly to above, though so that it resets the form.

Heuristics: Aesthetic and Minimalist Design

Severity: Minor

5. Multiple budgets with the same name

Description: Under the Summary tab that lists all of the budgets, I don't think multiple budgets of the same name should be allowed. Having multiple budgets with the same name introduces a significant amount of ambiguity to the user.

Heuristics: Consistency and Standards

Severity: Minor

6. Edit tab Total ambiguity

Description: It is unclear to me what the Total per month value is. Is it a

sum of all of the categories or just some number that I decide?

Heuristics: Consistency and Standards

Severity: Minor

7. Editing categories under the Edit tab

Description: In the popup for editing the individual categories the current information should be loaded as defaults into the text fields. This allows the user to click the edit button and make a single change rather than having to input all of the category information.

Heuristics: Error Prevention

Severity: Minor

8. Individual Category expenses.

Description: It is a little ambiguous that all of the entries in each category when I drill down from the Summary tab are negative additions to the budget. This might apply throughout the app, but I feel like there should be some way to indicate whether an entry is an expense or credit to a given category. While one way to increase the amount of a category would be to edit the category, it may be useful to the user to be able to record an incoming amount for a specific budget.

Heuristics: Flexibility and Efficiency

Severity: Major

9. Home screen

Description: I am a little unsure about my thoughts on the home screen. It seems to be a redundant with the tabs and the buttons doing nearly the same thing. I'm not really sure what to suggest, except to maybe try showing the user a condensed version of the summary from the view tab maybe.

Heuristics: Flexibility and Efficiency

Severity: Minor

10. Home screen share button

Description: The text on the "Share_Budget" button should be changed to not include the underscore. I'm sure this was unintentional, I just want to

make sure it's not overlooked

Heuristics: Aesthetic and Minimalist Design

Severity: Cosmetic

11. Chart

Description: Very clean and simple visual depiction of my budgets, well

done

Heuristics: Aesthetic and Minimalist Design

Severity: good

12. Adding budgets scroll bar

Description: When I add a bunch of budgets under the edit tab, the "Add Another Category" and "+" button get pushed off of the screen so that I have to scroll to get to the button. I think the button should remain visible without having to scroll at all.

Heuristics: Flexibility and Efficiency

Severity: Minor

13. Clear button for Expense adding

Description: Under the Expenses tab I feel like there should be a clear button that resets the page. This might be a good purpose for the "Cancel" button since the user can always get back to the Home tab by clicking it.

Heuristics: User Control and Freedom

Severity: Minor

14. "Budgets Shared With You" feature

Description: Good placement and nice feature **Heuristics:** Aesthetic and Minimalist Design

Severity: good

15. "Enter an Expense" button working for other people's budgets

Description: I see that you disabled the tab from use when I am viewing someone else's budget, but I can still add a budget if I click on the button.

Heuristics: Error Prevention

Severity: Major