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Female empowerment

Middle Country Public Library will host a free workshop, "Financial Empowerment for Women", as part of the Allstate Readiness Series on Wednesday, Feb. 11, from 6:30 to 8 pm. at Middle Country Public Library-Centereach.

Pamela Barbieri, a personal financial representative with Allstate Financial Services, LLC, and Michele Martin, an exclusive agent with Allstate Insurance, Inc., will present a free workshop, giving women information that can lead to economic independence and financial success. This includes financial planning, saving and investing; insurance and long-term care; and debt and credit issues.

Women often rely on their husbands, partners and families when it comes to handling finances, yet women — especially as they become older — need to be prepared to take care of themselves financially. Personal empowerment starts with understanding the fundamentals of financial management.

Admission is free. For more information, or to register, call Elizabeth Malafi at 585-9393, extension 296, or email malafielizabeth@mcpl.lib.ny.us. Or visit www.ReadinessBeginsWithMe.org.