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Treasury Unclaimed Property to assist with searches at Money Moves

BATON ROUGE, LA - Louisiana Unclaimed Property will be on site to reconnect citizens with assets they might be owed at the Money Moves Baton Rouge conference this Saturday at the Goodwood Library from 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. There is no cost to search for or receive unclaimed property.

Sponsored by WRKF, Money Moves Baton Rouge is a free financial literacy conference aiming to help residents from all backgrounds and income levels gain the skills to meet their present, future and emergency needs through improved financial planning.

"Financial literacy is vital to all members of society and there is always something new that can be learned," said State Treasurer John Fleming, MD. "We're proud to have Treasury's Unclaimed Property team partner with WRKF to make our services available to their attendees."

Unclaimed property encompasses a wide range of assets, including forgotten bank accounts, utility deposits, insurance claim payments, unpaid wages, oil royalties, stock accounts, dividends, and credit balances. Since its inception 51 years ago, Louisiana Unclaimed Property has issued 1.38 million checks, totaling \$727 million, to the rightful owners.

One in six individuals in Louisiana has unclaimed property, with claims averaging \$900. To check for unclaimed property, go to <u>LaCashClaim.org</u>.