TIP OF THE MONTH

How to Handle Election-Related Stress

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With so many people reporting increased levels of stress resulting from the election, we are sharing our top tips to handle stress in this moment.

- Feeling stressed and anxious is normal. Allow yourself to experience your feelings without judging them as "bad." Accept your emotions and then engage in coping strategies. <u>Watch FEAP's webinar recording of "How to Rest & Restore in Turbulent Times."</u>
- 2. Unplug! Give yourself a break from news and social media.
- 3. Recognize the importance of your own self-care. <u>See our tips on Anxiety and Resiliency</u>.
- Focus on what you can control. Prioritize foundational human needs like sleep, eating healthy meals regularly, and connecting with people who are important to you.
- 5. Vote—it's one thing you can control.

FEAP is currently offering **21 Ways in 21 Days to Rest and Restore**; a program that delivers to your inbox brief activities and resources designed to help you attend to your own needs and learn skills to restore yourself. <u>You're invited to register</u> today.

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