

Easy Money Card

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I have seen several cards in which you can insert U. S. Currency, but I was looking for one that (1) would hold a bill lying flat and (2) would fit in Stampin' Up!'s Small Open End Envelope – which meets the measurement standards set by the U. S. Postal Service. And, yes, I sometimes do send cash in the mail, but usually \$5, \$10, or \$20 bills for the younger kids in my family. I also find that envelopes of this size fit nicely snuggled into a Christmas Tree, and that's one of the things I always looked for first on Christmas morning when I was a teenager!

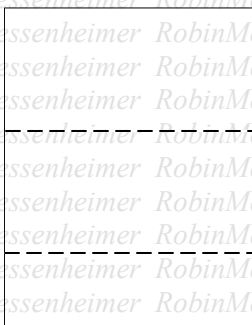


MATERIALS:

1 piece of Card Stock 6-5/8" wide x 8-1/2" high
1 piece of coordinating Card Stock 1-3/8" wide x 7" high
Card Stock and Designer Series Paper to decorate the front and inside of the money card

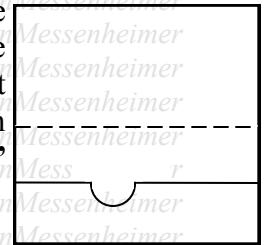
INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CARD:

Score the larger piece of card stock at 3-1/4" and 6-1/2" from the short edge.



Fold both ends toward the center and crease on score lines.

Slip a bill into the fold at the bottom and mark at the top edge of the bottom flap the mid point of the President's picture. Punch a half circle using the 1-3/4" Circle Punch.



Cut a 2" piece of Sticky Strip in half lengthwise and apply one half to each side of the flap. An alternative to this is no adhesive at all as the belly band will keep the card closed.

At this point, the basic card is finished. I added a piece of Designer Paper to the front of the card, matted with some Very Vanilla Card Stock. The Designer Paper I used was from the **Simply Scrappin' Kit, Christmas Cheer**. I used some of the self-adhesive die cut strips from that same kit to decorate the bottom flap below the cut circle. I made a tag from the **Two Tags Sizzix Die** and adhered that to the inside of the front cover, added a snowflake from the **Northern Frost Decorative Sizzlits Strip**, and stamped the "To/From" stamp from the **Punch Pals Stamp Set**.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE BELLY BAND:

Wrap the smaller piece of card stock around the closed Money Card and adhere the short edges together in the middle front of the card. Trim as needed. Add embellishments to cover the edges. I used another stamped image from the **Punch Pals Stamp Set** and punched it with the **Scallop Circle Punch**. The center element is a 3rd stamp from **Punch Pals** and is punched with the 1/2" Circle Punch.

Stamp a **Small Open-End Envelope** to coordinate with whatever stamps you use on the card.

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