

# Tip of the Week: Allocating Payments

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TimeSolv understands the importance of payment allocations. Tracking your payments, knowing how much money you are owed, and allocating incoming payments accurately is an indispensable embodiment of any well-managed and organized business. Lack of profits is one of the fundamental reasons that businesses are unable to thrive. Positive cash flow is critical for firms to run smoothly. This means that you need to ensure payments received from customers are on time and posted correctly as this later becomes the funds needed for her business expenses. This week's Tip of the Week will show users how to record payments and allocate them to specific invoices.

Once you receive payment from a Client, the remittance can be recorded under the **Payments>Payments** tab. You can keep an accurate and up-to-date record of payments and promptly allocate your receipts to the appropriate Matters.

Specify a Credit Type e.g., Credit Memo/Payment/Write Off such that the Payment Method drop-down gets populated accordingly with the credit type specific options. When you fill in all the relevant details in the form above and hit the save button, you can then proceed to allocate this payment to the appropriate Client-Matter by clicking on the '**Allocate**' link next to it:

Date	Matter - Client	Credit Type	Payment Method	Reference	Amount	Available Funds	
2021-05-12	Children - Mrs James	Payment	Cash		\$200.00	\$200.00	<a href="#">Allocate</a>

A window will pop up giving you a few options on how you would like to allocate this amount. Clicking on the **Allocate Oldest First** button will allocate the entire amount to the unpaid oldest invoice if you have multiple unpaid invoices listed under this Client-Matter. Clicking on the **Compute**

**Equal Proportions** button will equally distribute the allocation amount between all the unpaid invoices. The **Allocation Date** field is used for the date funds are to be applied to the unpaid balances. It is important to note that this date selection will affect how the reports are then run against this payment.

Click on the **Allocate** button to complete this process, and another window will ask you to click '**Save**' to confirm this allocation. Payment allocations also mean a healthier cash flow without interruption of income. And when you are on top of payment allocations, you can easily identify any shortfalls and investigate errors quickly.

If you don't like having to do payment allocations, TimeSolv recommends storing Clients' credit card info on file. That way, you can just 'Charge' the card from the Sent Invoice screen and the system will automatically allocate the payment to the invoice for you!

If you'd like to contact TimeSolv support for help, please call 1.800.715.1284 or Contact support!

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