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**CREDIT BUILDING LESSON  
NUMBER ONE**

**Q) HOW DO I BUILD A LINE OF CREDIT FOR 5,000 Dollars ?**

**A) To BUILD your CREDIT CARD LIMIT up to \$5,000, the Goal is to Show Lenders that you can Borrow Responsibly and**

**REPAY CONSISTENTLY.**

## **1. Start with the Right Card**

**If you're new to credit, begin with either:**

- **A Secured Credit Card (YOU PUT DOWN A DEPOSIT)**
- **A Starter Unsecured Card**
- **A Card from your Bank/Credit Union**

**Examples include cards from Capital One, Discover, or Navy Federal Credit Union.**

**A beginner limit might be:**

- **\$200–\$500**
- **\$500–\$1,000**

**That is normal.**

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## **2. Use Only 10–30% of Your Limit**

**This is called CREDIT UTILIZATION.**

**If your limit is \$500, try to keep your balance below:**

- **10% = \$50 (excellent)**
- **30% = \$150 (acceptable)**

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Lower utilization helps your credit score grow faster.

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### **3. Pay On Time Every Month**

This is the biggest factor.

Best strategy:

- Use the card for one recurring bill:
  - phone bill
  - streaming service
  - gas

Then pay it off in full before the due date.

Set up autopay through your issuer's website, such as Capital One account services or Discover account services.

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### **4. Ask for Credit Limit Increases**

After 6–12 months of on-time payments, request an increase.

Example progression:

<b>Time</b>	<b>Possible Limit</b>
<b>Start</b>	<b>\$300–\$500</b>
<b>6 months</b>	<b>\$1,000–\$1,500</b>

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<b>12–18 months</b>	<b>\$2,000–\$3,000</b>
<b>18–36 months</b>	<b>\$5,000+</b>

**Many issuers allow online requests.**

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## **5. Increase Your Income on File**

**Card companies look at reported income.**

**If your income rises, update it with your issuer.**

**Higher verified income often supports higher limits.**

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## **6. Keep the Account Open**

**Length of credit history matters.**

**Even if you stop using a card often, keep it active with a small purchase every few months.**

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## **Realistic Timeline to Reach \$5,000**

**If starting from zero:**

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Fast path (good income + perfect payments):  
12–18 months

Typical path:  
18–36 months

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## Best Practical Plan

If I were building toward \$5,000:

Month 1:	Open a \$300–\$500 card
Months 1–6:	Spend \$20–\$100 monthly, pay in full
Month 6:	Request increase
Month 12:	Request another increase or open second card
Year 2:	Reach \$3,000–\$5,000 total available credit

**The KEY is simple:**

**Use it Lightly, Pay it Fully, Never Miss Payments, and**

**Be Patient.**