

Planning Checklist: Preparing for Retirement

With your retirement approaching, your wealth plan should be adjusted to preserve your hard-earned assets. As you prepare for retirement, consider the following:

- Create a detailed budget for your projected retirement lifestyle
- Identify strategies for Social Security and Medicare
- Document insurance protection. Do you have in place for unexpected healthcare and long-term-care expenses?
- Review your investments, account types, titling and beneficiaries
- Identify all pensions and requirements for distributions
- Identify tax-efficient strategies for creating retirement income
- Create/update your estate plan; will, durable power of attorney, health care power of attorney, living will, and revocable living trust
- Explore setting up a revocable living trust to avoid probate at death and keep your final wishes private
- Identify your wishes for building charitable gifting and/or a legacy plans for distributing your estate according to your wishes

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