

## **Financial Planning Presentation**

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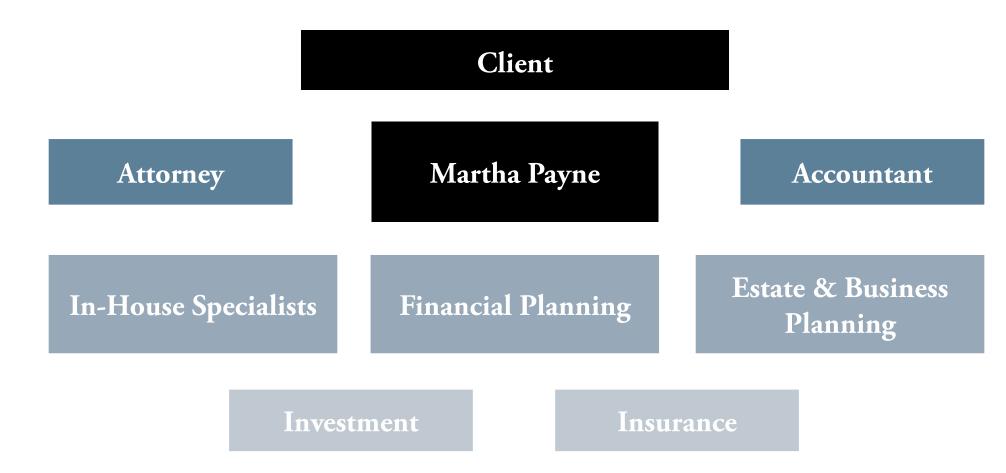
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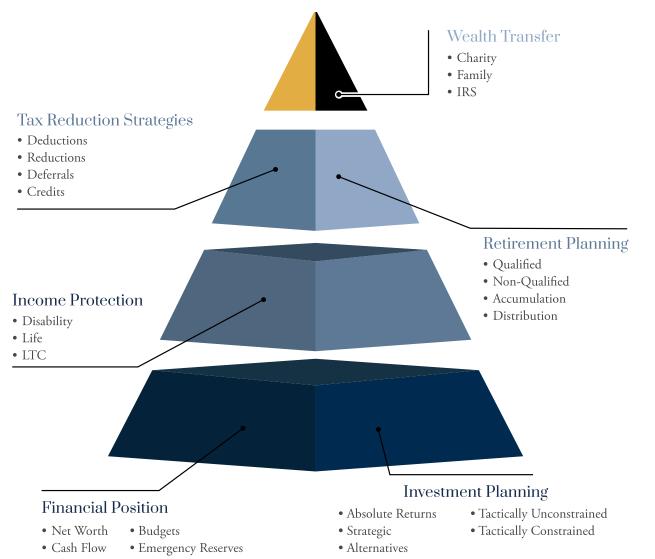
## **Financial Planning Team**







## **Financial Planning Pyramid**



#### We want to:

- Completely understand your vision and goals.
- Identify both strengths and areas for improvement.
- Recommend solutions and strategies.
- Build and implement your plan.
- Offer periodic reviews and ongoing service.



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## Cash (flow) is king!

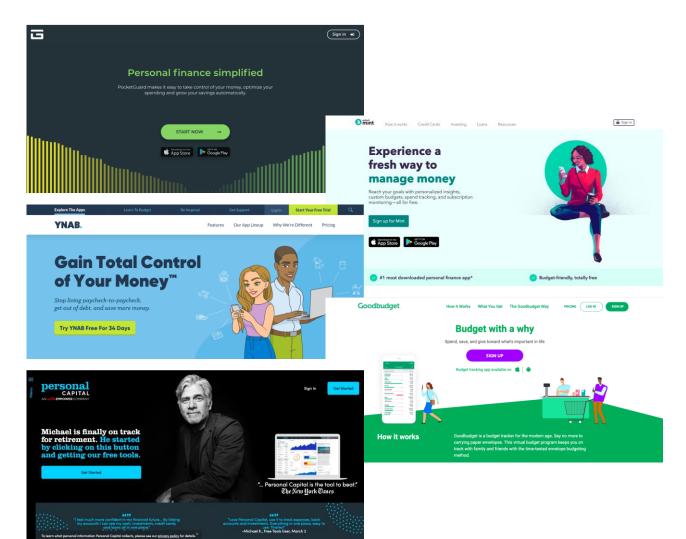


- It's the foundation of our financial lives.
- Necessary to fund financial goals
  - Emergency fund
  - Educating your children
  - Saving for retirement
  - Any other goals important to you





## M Track Your Spending



- **YNAB**
- **PocketGuard**
- QuickBooks
- **Empower**
- Monarch Money



## **Income Protection**



#### Disability Insurance - Group vs. Individual Disability Insurance

#### Coverage

- Group | Typically lower cost, employer-subsidized
- Individual | Higher cost, paid out of pocket

#### **Portability**

- Group | Lost if you leave the employer
- Individual | Fully portable stays with you

#### **Customization**

- Group | Limited options and riders
- Individual | Tailored to your needs





### Group Disability Insurance vs. Individual Disability Insurance, Cont.

#### **Underwriting**

- Group | Minimal (guaranteed issue)
- Individual | Full underwriting required

#### **Benefit Amount**

- Group | Often capped or a percentage of salary
- Individual | Can secure higher or more stable benefits

#### **Taxability**

- Group | Taxable if employer-paid
- Individual | Usually tax-free if you pay premiums



#### <u>TIP</u>

Group coverage is a good baseline, but individual policies offer stronger, more flexible protection.



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## Life Insurance - What is the Purpose?

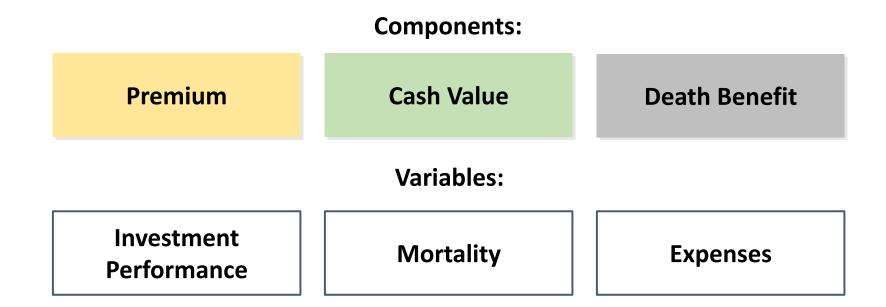
- Income Replacement
- Survivor Planning
- Estate Planning
- Risk Management
- Business Planning Key Person





### M What Are the Key Components?

To understand what you are buying, you must first understand the 3 components and *3 variables* of every permanent insurance contract.





## Investments



### Why Investing Matters

- Income alone doesn't build wealth investing is essential.
- Time is still your greatest asset compounding rewards consistency.
- Avoiding lifestyle creep, keep an eye on cash flow, save more as you earn more.
- Investing fuels long-term goals: retirement, college, career pivots, or anything else you envision.





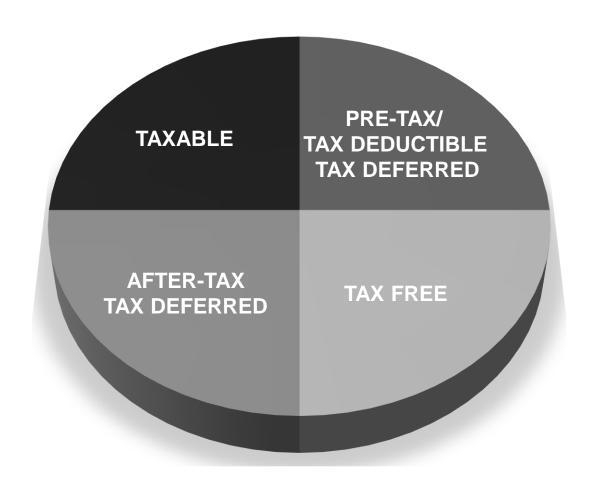
### **Smart Asset Allocation: The Foundation**

- Diversification reduces risk spread across stocks, bonds, and alternatives.
- Align your asset mix with time horizon and risk tolerance.
- Rebalance periodically don't "set it and forget it."
- Let time be your ally Time in the market versus timing the market.





### **Tax Pie Chart**



#### **FOCUS:**

- Past & Future Tax Policies will always continue to change
- Tax Diversification as important as
  Asset Allocation (Investment Success)





### **Avoiding Behavioral Finance Pitfalls**

- Set a plan and revisit it regularly consistency beats timing.
- Analysis paralysis: over-researching can delay action.
- Recency bias: reacting emotionally to market headlines.
- Build a long-term strategy and course-correct only when needed not based on emotion.





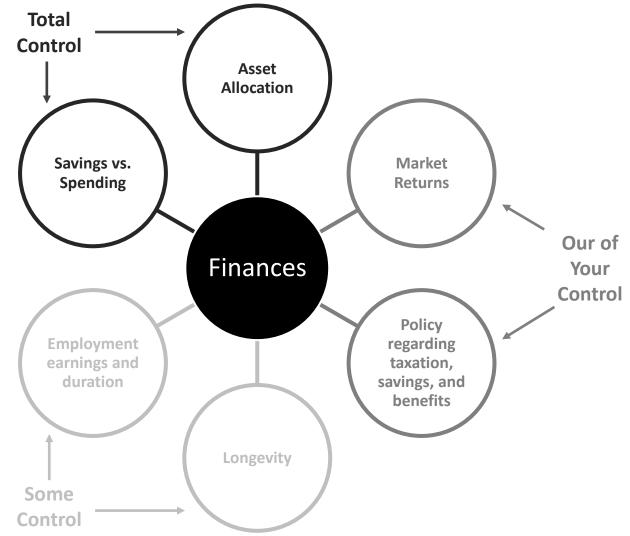
### **Common Mistakes to Avoid**

- DIY investing without a clear plan or guidance.
- Failing to coordinate your investments with tax, estate, and retirement planning.
- Letting cash pile up instead of putting it to work.
- Waiting to invest "until things settle down."





## M Control the Controllables





# **Estate Planning**



## **Blocks of Property**

#### **Taxable Estate**

**SAVINGS QUALIFIED PLANS REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT INSURANCE BUSINESS PERS PROP IRD Tax Federal & State Estate Tax** 

IRS CHARITY FAMILY





### **Estate Planning Basics**

Estate Planning, aside from the disposition of assets, encompasses a wide range of issues:

- ✓ Tax reduction or elimination
- ✓ Charitable inclinations
- ✓ Establishment of your legacy
- ✓ Maintaining family harmony
- ✓ Supporting future generations
- ✓ Protection from creditors
- ✓ Instructions for your own care in sickness
- ✓ Family business continuation
- ✓ Guardianship for minor children





### **Estate Planning – Key Documents**

- ✓ Durable Power of Attorney and Health Care Proxy
- **√** Will
- ✓ Living Will
- ✓ Irrevocable Trust
- ✓ Revocable Trust





### **Estate Taxes are "Voluntary" Taxes**

#### Your choices:

- Do no planning, pay the estate taxes due at death.
- Do some planning, including the following:
  - Make voluntary gifts to family (if so inclined).
  - Make charitable gifts during your lifetime (if so inclined).
  - Make charitable bequests at death (if so inclined).
  - Buy life insurance to:
    - Provide liquidity to pay the "voluntary" estate taxes
    - Or leverage your money as a gift to your heirs or the charity(ies) of your choice





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### How I work with clients:

- Have initial meeting, get to know each other.
- Gather information, so I can outline scope of work and fees.
- Meet to review findings. Discuss engagement and fees.
- Have 1-2 working sessions to review data, assumptions, and model scenarios.
- I present your final plan with recommendations.
- Assist with plan implementation.
- Meet regularly for ongoing service and reviews.



# If you're interested

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