# Planning for the Future

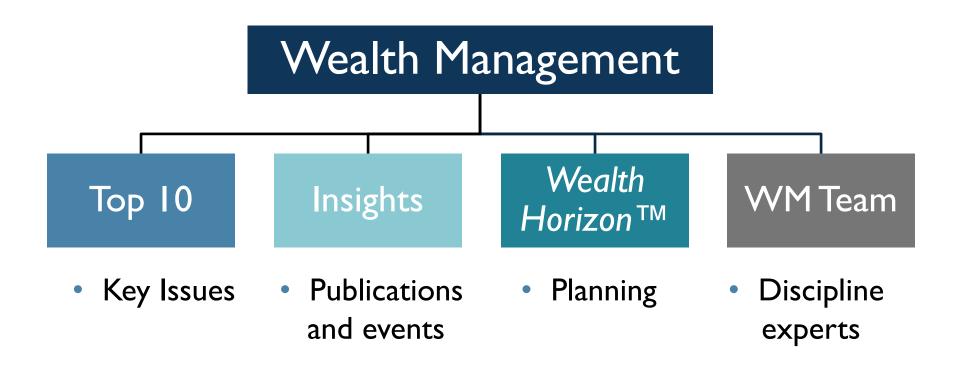
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### Helping Clients Navigate Financial and Life Decisions



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### Today's Agenda and Presenters

- Financial spring cleaning
- Tax policies to watch for from the new administration
- Strategic savings and spending priorities
- Simple steps toward establishing a wealth plan
- Q&A









# Financial Spring Cleaning



- Review, update balance sheet and budget
- Replenish three-to-six months of emergency cash
- Plan for retirement contributions or distributions
- Evaluate risk/return profile and asset allocation
- Conduct insurance review

# Financial Spring Cleaning



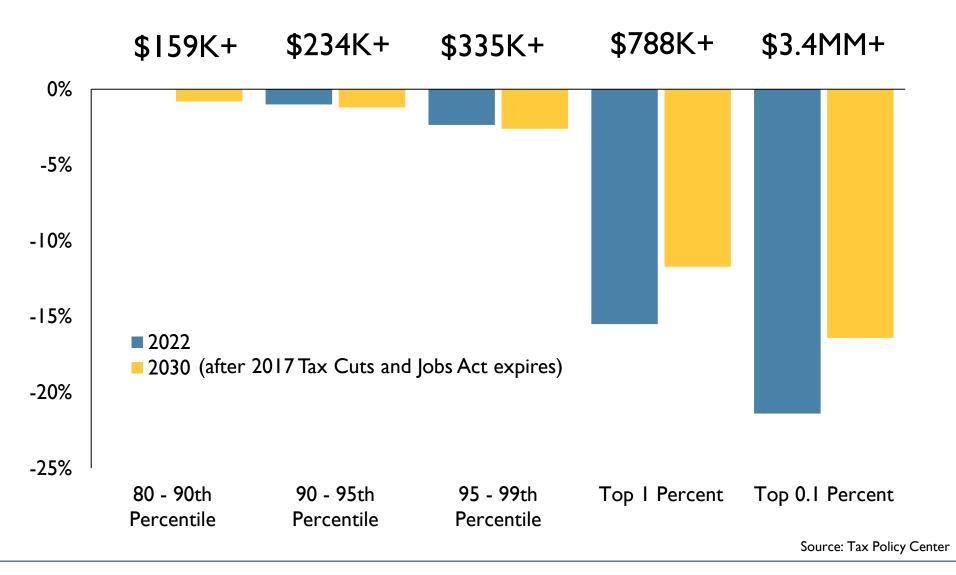
- Review beneficiaries of life insurance, retirement and estate plans
- Organize, purge paper records
- Establish secure offsite backup of critical files
- Check credit report and maximize card benefits
- Consider debt refinance

#### Proposed Tax Policies to Watch For



- Income and estate tax proposals
- Details and timing unclear
- Strategies to consider with your CPA

#### Percent Change in After-Tax Income Under Proposed Tax Plan



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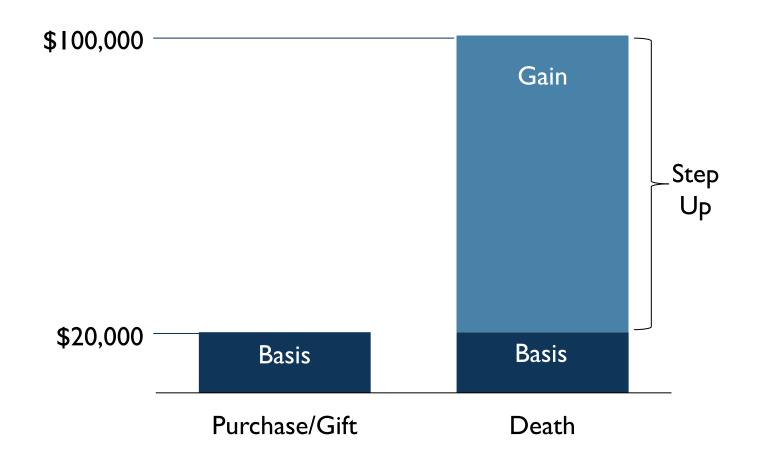
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#### Potential Tax Increases Individuals

#### **Everyone**

- Caps itemized deductions tax benefit at 28 percent of value
- Switch to 26 percent credit for retirement contribution, rather than deduction
- Annual tax on unrealized gains
- Eliminates step-up in cost basis at death

# What is "Basis" and "Step-Up"?



#### Potential Tax Increases Individuals

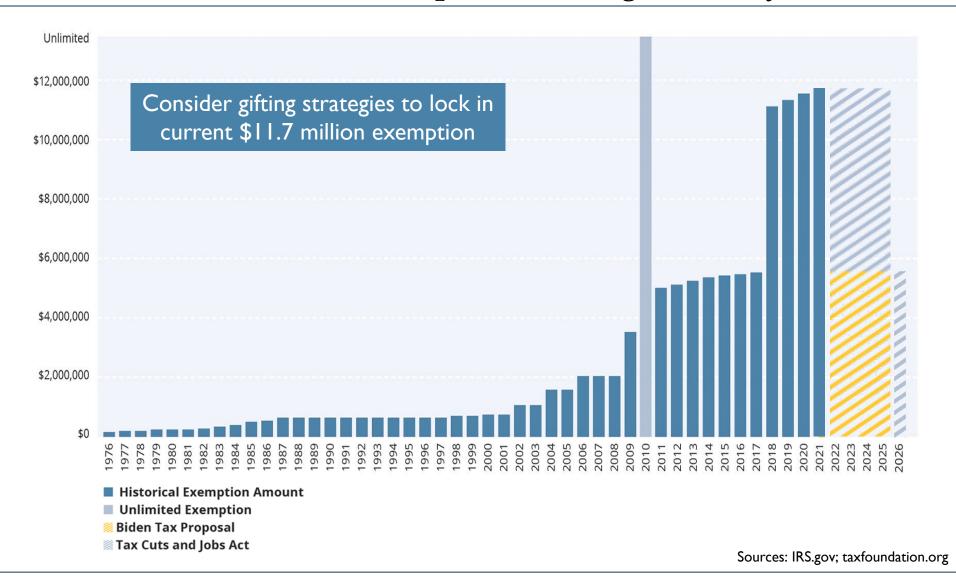
#### Greater than \$400,000 in income

- Raises the top marginal income tax rate to 39.6 percent (from 37 percent)
- Reinstate the Pease limitation, reducing the benefit of itemized deductions
- Dividends and capital gains taxed at 39.6 percent (over \$1 million maybe)
- Social Security tax (12.4 percent) would apply to all wages over \$400,000 in addition to amounts under \$142,800
- Eliminates 1031 like-kind exchange for real estate
- Eliminates 20 percent pass-through deduction for qualified business income

#### Strategies to Consider With Your CPA

- Accelerating capital gains
- Defer capital losses
- Installment sales of appreciated assets
- Accelerate planned I031 real estate exchanges
- Evaluate timing of itemized deductions
- Review charitable donation plans
- Evaluate Roth IRA conversions and retirement contributions

### Federal Estate-Tax Exemption Through History



### Estate and Gift Tax Proposals

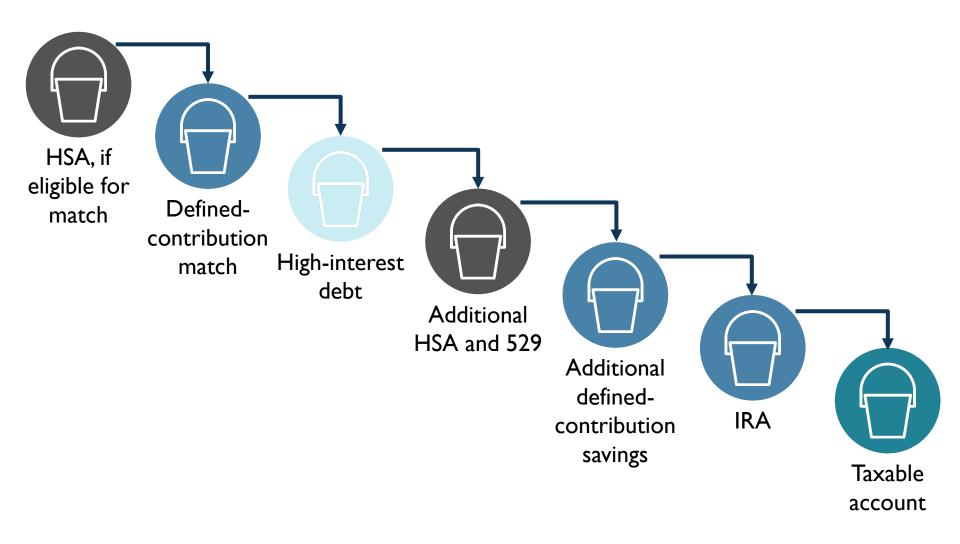
- Decreased lifetime exemption from \$11.7 to \$5 million or less
- Potential hike in the estate tax rate (currently 40 percent)
- Eliminate step-up in basis at death
- Trigger capital gains tax at death
- Restrict other strategies:
  - Limit valuation discounts
  - GRAT benefits

# Tax-Advantaged Investing

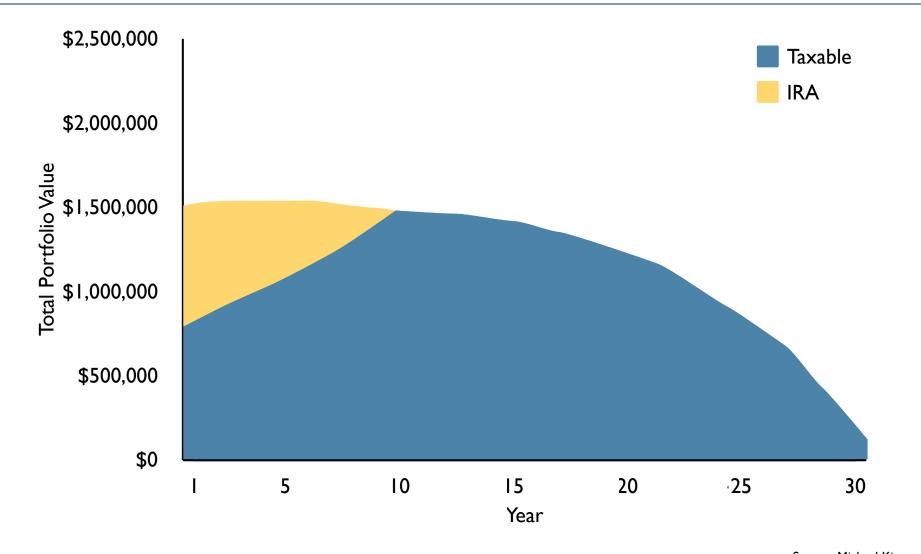
	Tax-deductible contributions/ investments	Tax-deferred account growth	Taxation of withdrawals
Pre-tax 401(k) traditional IRA	•	•	Taxable (ordinary income tax)
Roth 401(k) / IRA		•	Tax-free qualified withdrawals
After-tax 401(k) / non-deductible traditional IRA		•	Taxable investment returns (ordinary income tax)
Taxable portfolio		Unrealized gains	Capital gains and income taxable when realized
Health savings accounts (HSAs)	•	•	Tax-free qualified healthcare expenses

Source: J.P. Morgan Guide to Retirement

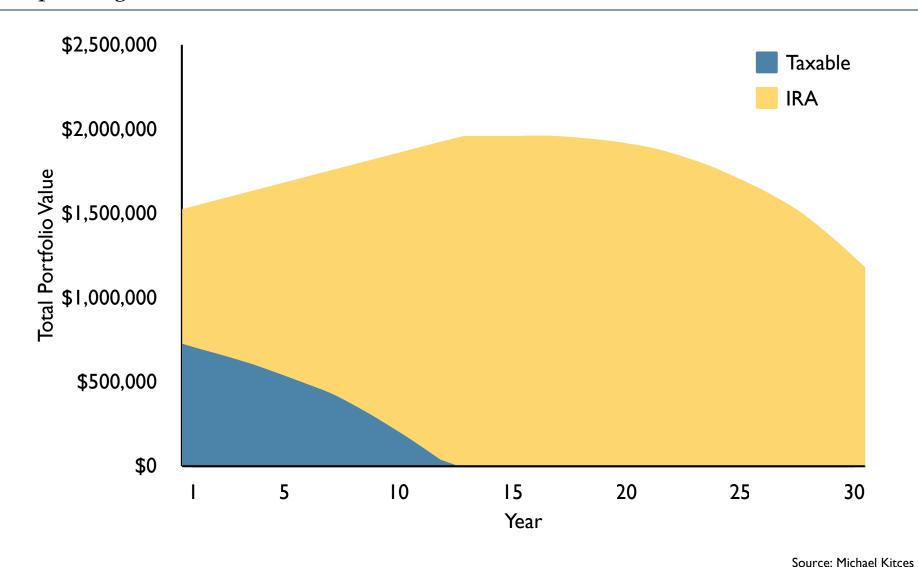
# Tax-Efficient Savings Strategies



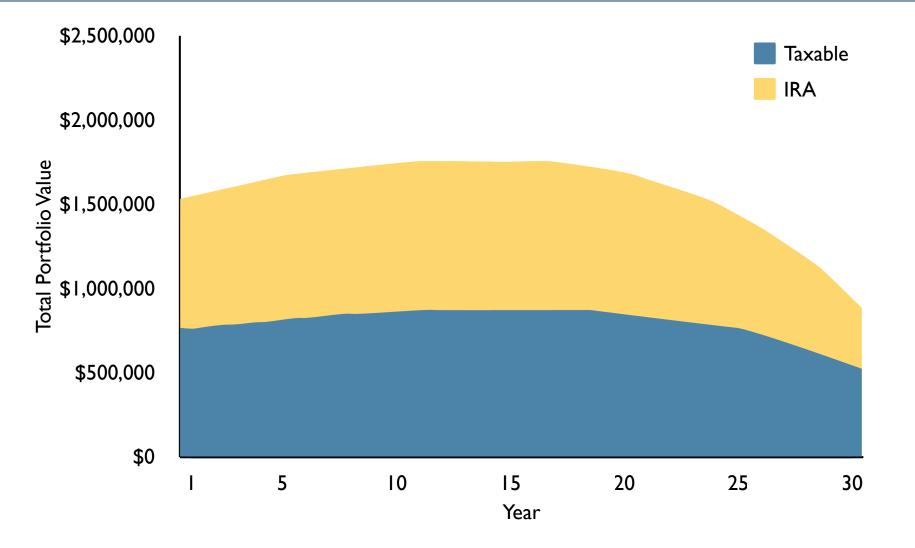
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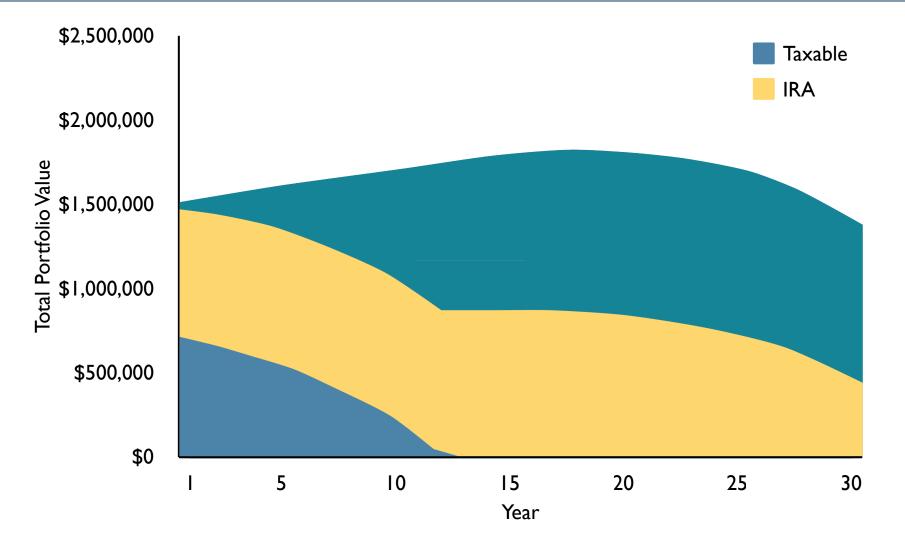
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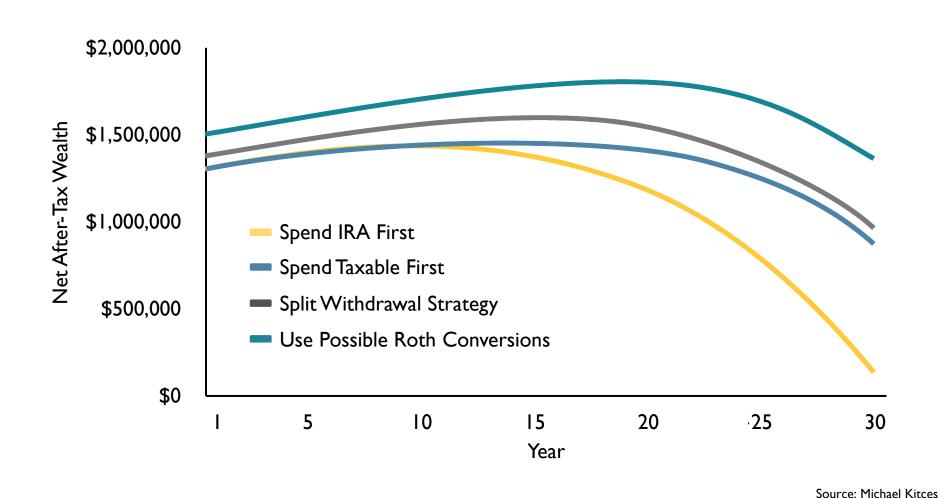
#### Total Portfolio Value Spending IRA and Taxable Account Evenly



#### Total Portfolio Value Spending with Partial Roth IRA Conversions



# After-Tax Wealth of Various Spending Strategies



# Gifting to Mitigate Estate Taxes

Annual and other exclusions	Annual exclusion: \$15,000 per recipient		
Federal lifetime exemption	\$11.7 million		
Avoid state estate tax	Lifetime giving generally avoids state gift tax		
"Freeze" the value	Gifts are valued on the day they are completed		
Explore potential discounts	Fractional ownerships may be eligible for discounted valuation		
Balance estate tax versus future income taxes	Individuals take carry-over cost basis in gifted assets		
Inclusive versus exclusive tax calculations	Gift taxes are generally preferable to estate taxes		

# Spectrum of Lifetime Giving

Moderate Net Worth Higher Net Worth Highest Net Worth Simple Complex Annual gifting of \$15,000 Pre-funding the exemption Grantor retained annuity trust(s) based on personal trusts Super-funding 529 accounts needs Intentionally defective Direct payment of Creating/gifting LLC interest grantor trusts tuition/medical expenses for fractional discounts Taxable lifetime gifts Plan for gifting additional Generation skipping trusts Charitable lead trust assets after one spouse dies Roth conversions to limit (step up) estate taxes Spousal lifetime access trust (SLAT) Charitable remainder trust Life insurance trust

# Planning with Wealth Horizon<sup>TM</sup>

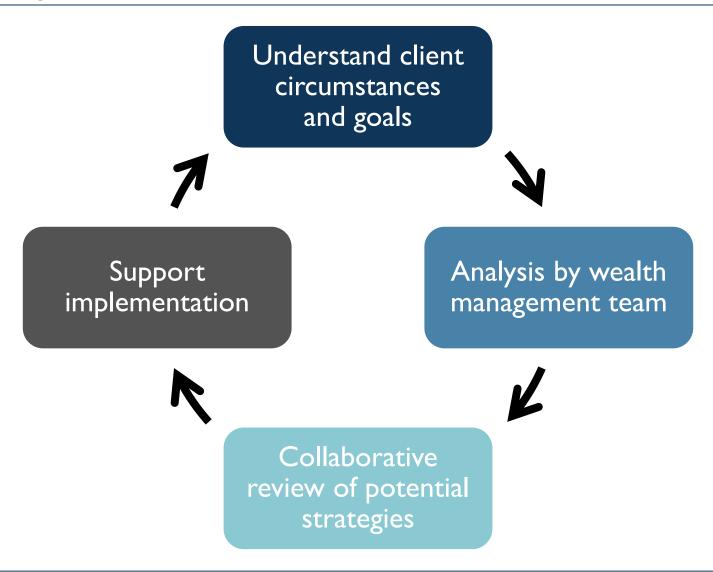


# Providing Clarity and Direction

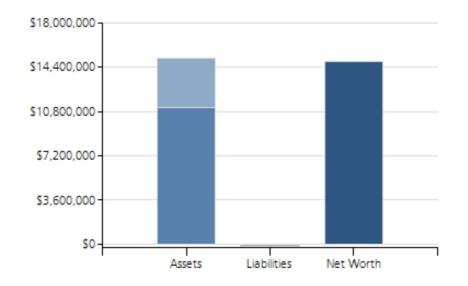
- Asset allocation
- Sustainable spending
- Estate planning
- Education savings
- Evolving net worth
- Long-term care
- Retirement planning

- Gifting to family
- Philanthropic strategies
- Social Security
- Large purchases and sales (business, real estate, concentrated stock)

# Getting Started with a Wealth Horizon<sup>TM</sup>



### Net-Worth Summary





Description	Total
Investment Assets	
Individual Retirement Accounts	\$5,000,000
Taxable and/or Tax-Free Accounts	\$6,000,000
College Saving Plans	\$80,000
Total Investment Assets:	\$11,080,000
Other Assets	
Home and Personal Assets	\$3,000,000
Business and Property	\$1,000,000
Total Other Assets:	\$4,000,000
Liabilities	
Personal Real Estate Loan:	\$200,000
Total Liabilities:	\$200,000
Net Worth:	\$14,880,000

# Summary of Spending Goals

#### Needs



Retirement – Basic Living Expense

#### Wants



College – Grandchild #1

#### Wishes



Annual Gift – Child #1



**Healthcare** 



College – Grandchild #2



Annual Gift – Child #2



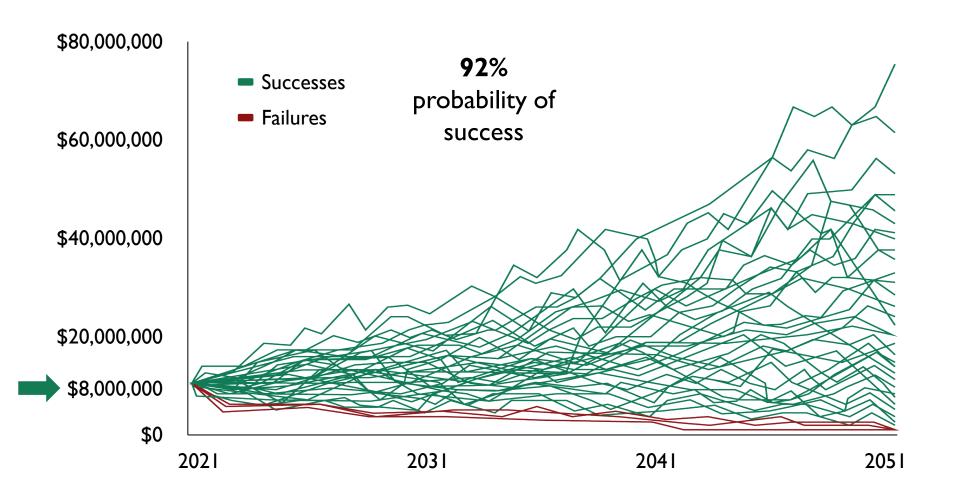
**Travel** 



Annual Charitable Donation

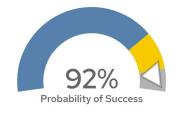
#### Monte Carlo Analysis

Portfolio Stress Test: Helping Clients Understand Their Ability to Fund Goals



# **Evaluating Spending** with Wealth Horizon<sup>TM</sup>





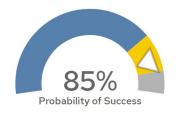
Annual spending:

\*Estimated ending portfolio value:

\$200,000

\$9,998,652

# Increased Spending



\$225,000

\$8,962,725

# **Decreased Spending**



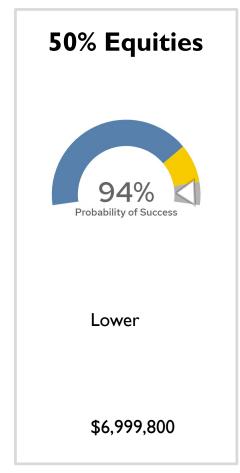
\$175,000

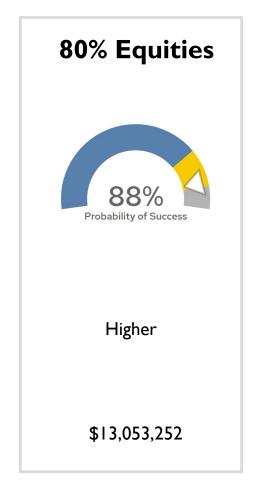
\$11,032,070

- In today's dollars based on an average annual return of 5.34%
- This example is for illustrative purposes only

# Evaluating Portfolio Risk with Wealth Horizon<sup>TM</sup>







- In today's dollars based on an average annual return of 5.34%, 4.56% and 6.12% respectively
- Standard deviations are 11.06%, 8.20% and 13.98% respectively
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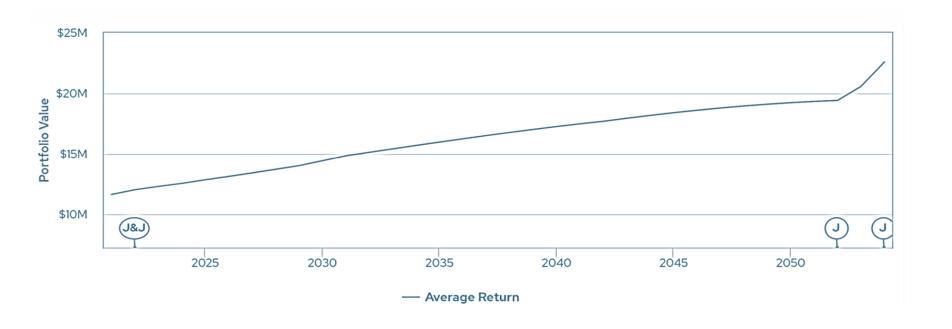
Source: MoneyGuideElite®

Portfolio volatility:

\*Estimated ending

portfolio value:

# **Evolving Net Worth**



# Net-Worth Detail with Account Titling

Description	John	Jane	Joint	Total
Investment Assets				
Individual Retirement Accounts				
Jane Smith Traditional IRA		\$2,500,000		\$2,500,000
John Smith Traditional IRA	\$2,500,000			\$2,500,000
Taxable and/or Tax-Free Accounts				
Smith Joint Trust Account			\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000
College Saving Plans				
Grandchild #1 - 529 Savings Plan		\$40,000		\$40,000
Grandchild #2 - 529 Savings Plan		\$40,000		\$40,000
Total Investment Assets:	\$2,500,000	\$2,580,000	\$6,000,000	\$11,080,000
Other Assets				
Home and Personal Assets				
Portland Home			\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Sunriver Home			\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Business and Property				
Family Business			\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Total Other Assets:	\$0	\$0	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000
Liabilities				
Personal Real Estate Loan:				
Mortgage			\$200,000	\$200,000
Total Liabilities:	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000
Net Worth:				\$14,880,000

# Navigating Financial and Life Events with Your Professional Team

#### Start a Business

- Cash-flow planning
- Tax planning
- Continuity plan
- Life insurance

#### **Loss of Loved One**

- Post-mortem tax planning
- Cash-flow changes
- Incapacity concerns
- Healthcare decisions

#### Marriage

- Prenup
- Estate plans
- Joint budget
- Tax changes

#### Children

- Estate plans
- Name a guardian
- College savings
- Life insurance

#### Retire, Sell a Business

- Tax efficiency
- Succession planning
- Social Security

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