

## "I want to give something back, leave a legacy."

Many women tell their estate planning advisors: "I've worked hard; I've been successful; life has been good to me. Now I want to leave a legacy." For these women, their charitable beneficiariestheir church, school, and other ministries like Family Life Radio or *Intentional Living*, which have been an important part of their lives, are deserving of support not only during their lifetime but through their estate plans as well. You can perpetuate the support of your favorite ministries through:

- A gift through your Will or Living Trust;
- Making them the beneficiary of life insurance, a retirement plan, savings or brokerage account.

We hope you will consider including us in your Will or other estate plan, and would be glad to help you with your estate planning needs.

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# Estate Planning for Women

Take care of your family and leave a legacy





Women are the caregivers. This includes taking care of young children and elderly parents. Statistically, women are the ones who will initiate the estate planning process—mainly because they are concerned about the guardianship of young children. Women are also the ones who will eventually have most need of a caregiver agreement or help navigating the Medicaid process when they're caring for their older relatives.

Women need to be most concerned about loss of primary income. In many cases men are the primary breadwinners in a family, so women are most at risk when their spouse passes away and that income stream is gone. Women need not only to make sure they

Whether you have large amounts of property or little, whether you are the head of a large household or have no dependents, good estate planning means, at a minimum:

- Making certain after your death your property will be disributed according to your wishes;
- Protecting your estate against "shrinkage" brought on by federal or state estate taxes, expenses of estate administration, lack of estate liquidity and other causes;
- Taking steps to protect beneficiaries with special needs and to make your wishes known on practical matters such as funeral and burial preferences.

### Why Women Need Estate Planning

Whether single or married, children or no children, women have important things to think about when it comes to estate planning. As a woman you need to be involved in the planning process. Express your wishes, voice your concerns and ask your questions. Here are three ways that women are different from men—and how it affects their estate planning.

Women live longer than men. Among the senior citizen population (65 and older) more than three times as many women as men are widowed. This longer life expectancy means two things. First, surviving women will likely deal with taxes. Second, women need a plan to sustain their retirement savings for a longer period of time. Careful planning ensures you will have remaining assets after retirement and be distributed according to your wishes.

and their husband both have adequate insurance policies, they need to plan to keep those insurance proceeds and to avoid heavy taxes upon death.

All of these things can be discussed and planned for with an estate planning attorney—and it doesn't take away from your spouse or children. In fact, having your own plan in order actually helps the important people in your life.



