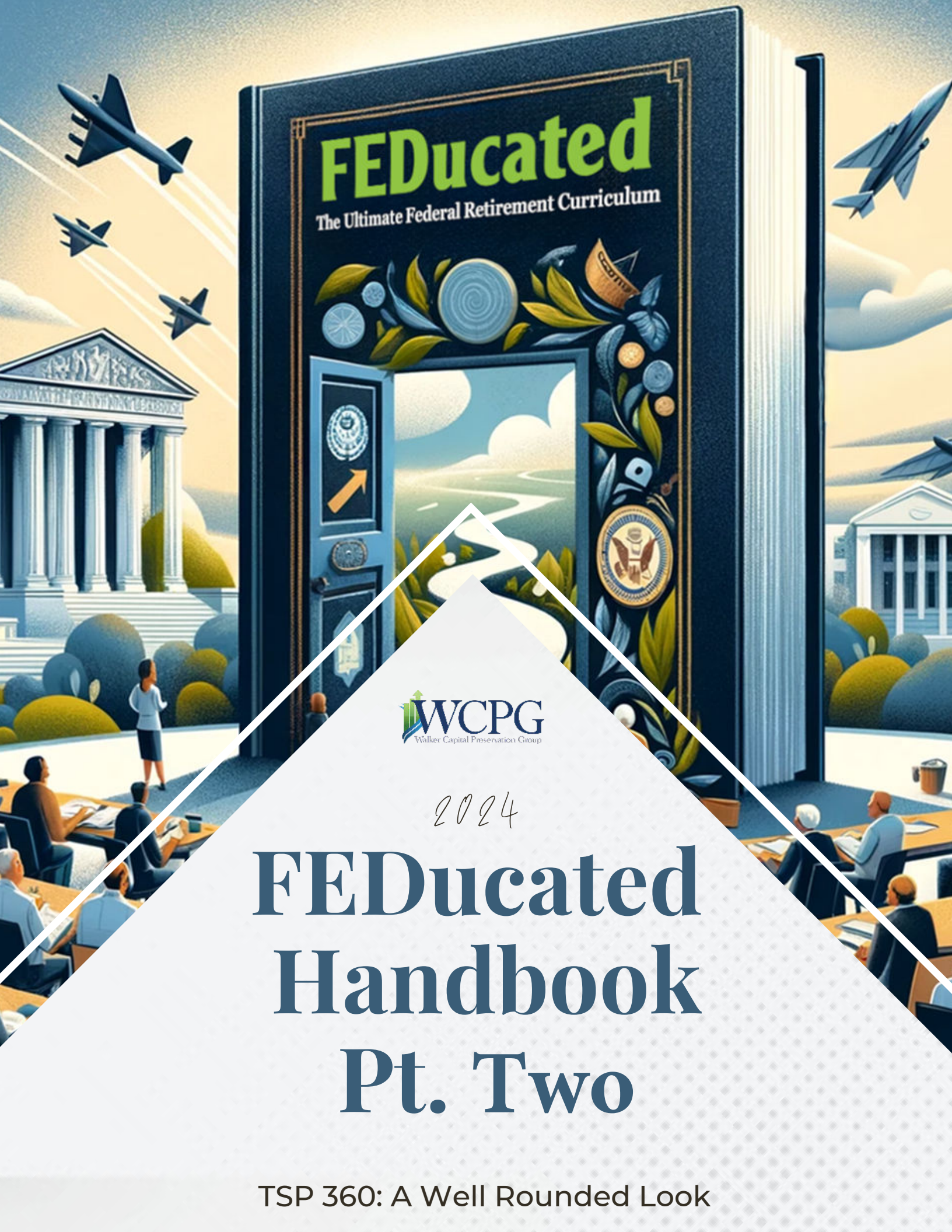




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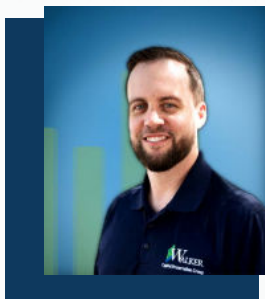
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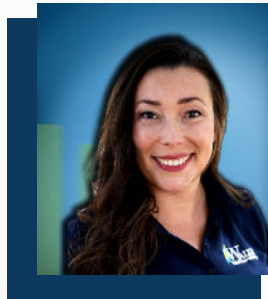
OUR MISSION

Since 2014, Walker Capital's Mission has been to educate & empower today's Federal Employee to maximize their Retirement through proper positioning & seamless coordination of their Federal Benefits & Personal Assets.

MEET OUR TEAM



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WCPG RETIREMENT BENEFITS FORECASTS

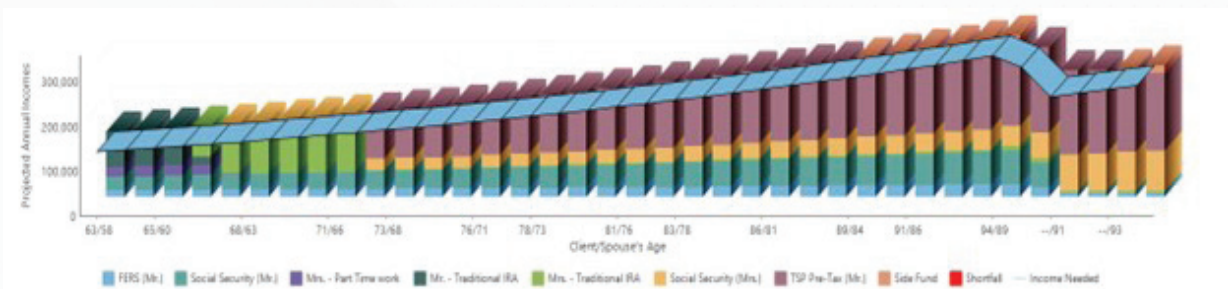


What is a **Retirement Benefits Forecast** and why do I need one?

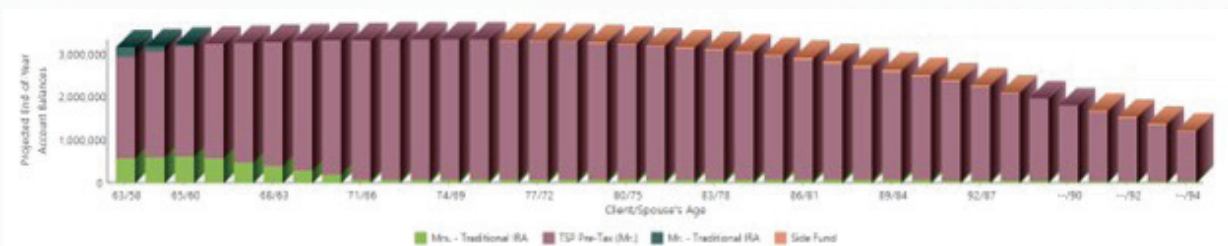
This powerful analysis offers a completely personalized model of your current retirement trajectory that includes:

- ▶ Your CSRS/FERS Pension
- ▶ FERS Supplement (if applicable)
- ▶ Social Security benefits (+ Spousal Benefits)
- ▶ TSP & IRA Withdrawals, RMDs, and Tax Treatment
- ▶ Personal Retirement Budget (adjusted for inflation)
- ▶ Current vs Future Tax Liability

Sample: Desired Income & Income Sources Through Retirement



Retirement Assets & Remaining Account Balances Through Retirement



The best part? Building a personalized projection with the Retirement Strategists at WCPG is just the start!

Our team is committed to helping you identify and address FERS/CSRS retirement pitfalls while building a relationship that enables us to help **you** get both **TO** and **THROUGH** your golden years successfully!



WORKING WITH WALKER CAPITAL



What to expect

WCPG proudly offers Webcast Attendees & Federal Employees a **Complimentary Consultation** to review your retirement, this consultation is broken down into two parts:

▶ Part 1 – Introduction Phone Call (~30 min.)

- **Goals:** Meet your Retirement Strategist & review your situation
 - **Discuss:** Retirement Timeline, Goals, Family & Concerns
- Gather data to build retirement model that will be reviewed with you during a Video Strategy Session in Part 2
 - We provide a “What to Bring Email” to make it easy for you to have the key information available for your Introduction Call

▶ Part 2 - Strategy Session Video Conference (~60 min.)

- **Goals:** Design & Discuss Retirement Benefits Forecast
 - Work through “What if Scenarios” & “Stress Tests”
 - What if I retired earlier? How about if I worked longer?
 - How may inflation, LTC, or higher tax rates impact my retirement?
- Identify Strengths & Weaknesses of current retirement trajectory
- Identify WCPG Services that align with your concerns & can improve your retirement

[Ready to Start? Click Here](#)

WALKER CAPITAL'S SERVICES OFFERED



▶ Retirement planning

- Retirement planning is the process of determining retirement income goals and the actions and decisions necessary to achieve those goals. Retirement planning includes identifying sources of income, estimating expenses, implementing a savings program and managing assets. Future cash flows are estimated to determine if the retirement income goal will be achieved.

▶ Federal Benefits Optimizations

- The Federal Retirement systems available today still offer some of the best large-scale benefits available... if you can successfully navigate the maze of program acronyms, rules, caveats, & pitfalls. During your career, it is important to understand the benefits you currently carry & how they may change over time. As you enter retirement, it is critical that you maximize your benefits in order to leverage your years of public service into your retirement. There are a number of critical coordinates to mapping out a successful retirement. For example, it is critical that you coordinate your FEGLI & SSB with your spousal FEHB & income continuation needs. Retirement is a journey, let Walker Capital help guide you through!

▶ Tax Planning

- Truly Holistic Retirement Planning requires a braintrust of like minded experts with complimentary areas of expertise which is why Walker Capital has partnered with a Tax Professor & CPA to help you understand your current tax equation and how it may change in coming years. The key is to be proactive in

addressing these concerns today because taxes are only going to be 'on-sale' for a few more years and the IRS has already put major restrictions on how much you can contribute in each of those years!

▶ Estate Planning

- What happens to your hard-earned assets after you are gone? Having a plan for your estate can help ensure that your legacy is distributed efficiently and that you can clearly outline your wishes/goals for how that legacy could be used even after you are no longer around to provide those instructions. Have a goal of leaving money to the grandkids for education? Looking to avoid probate costs and delays? Do you have a child with special needs? An estate plan – like a Living Trust + Pour-Over Will + Powers of Attorney – is here to help!

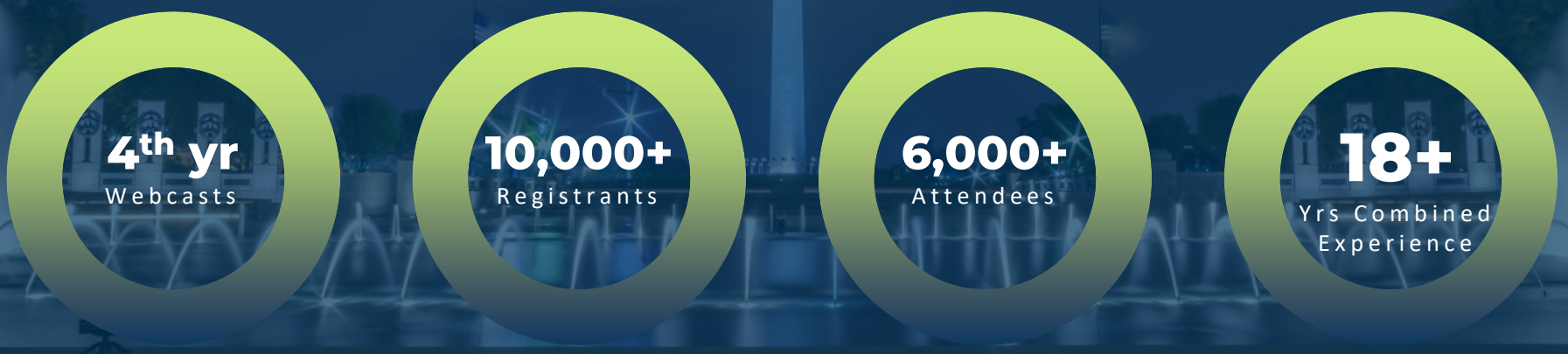
▶ Insurance Planning

- When properly utilized, insurance can help protect the quality of both you & your family's lifestyle throughout your career, in retirement, & even after (legacy). Whether looking to sleep easier knowing Living Benefits will help protect your lifestyle, looking to utilize Cash Value Life Insurance as a tool to help navigate future tax risk, or looking to ensure your loved ones have access to a highly leveraged tax-free death benefit – today's innovative policy design offerings allow Walker Capital to help your insurance plans evolve with your needs as they change over time!

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#2 | The TSP 360

A Well-Rounded Look at
the Government
Savings Vehicle



4th yr
Webcasts

10,000+
Registrants

6,000+
Attendees

18+
Yrs Combined
Experience

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Retirement Strategist

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CPA & Tax Teams

CPA Partners & Tax Trainers

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Abby Duenas, ChFEBC

Retirement Strategist

In the past decade, Abigail has dedicated herself to empowering federal employees, assisting them in achieving their financial aspirations .

Walker Capital Locations

Industry leading
VIRTUAL retirement
planning experience:

- Video Conferencing
- Powerful Planning Software
- Cutting Edge Cyber Security
- DECADES of combined experience helping Feds



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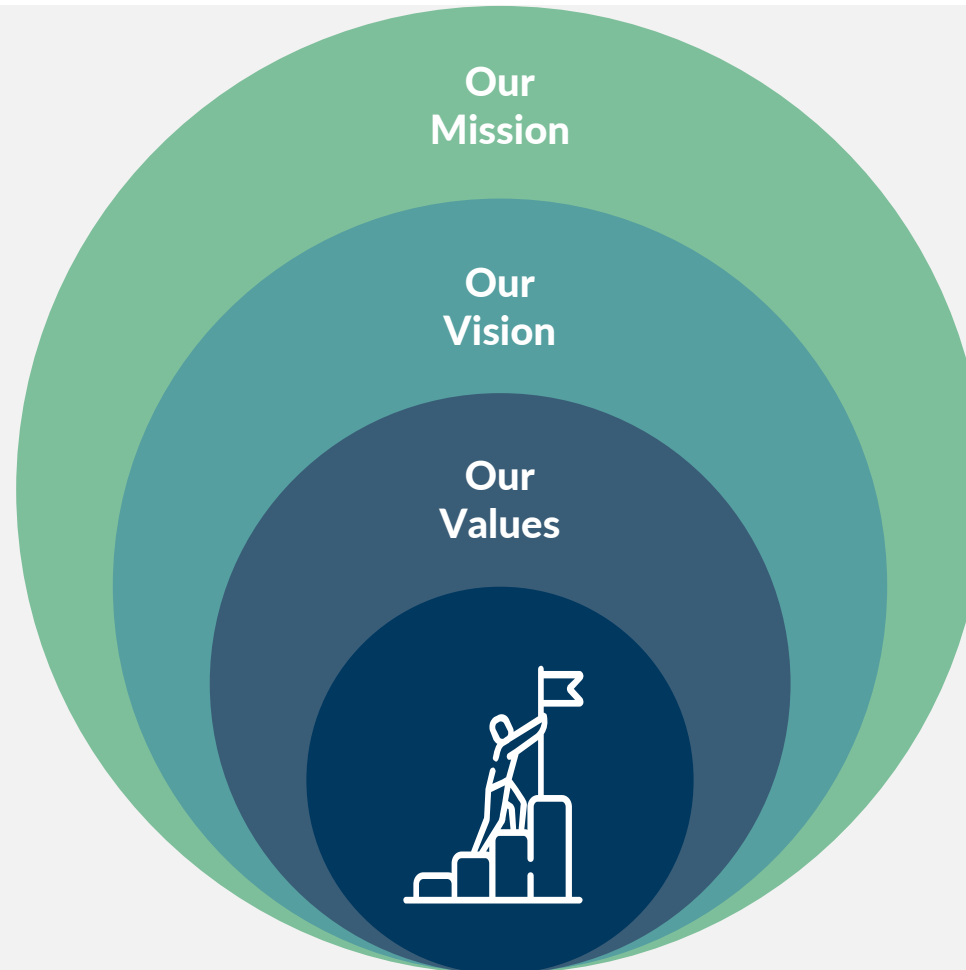


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Values

Financial Empowerment & Education is not something that should be exclusively reserved for the wealthy



Values

Your geography should not limit your access to the RIGHT Information & Team of Experts



Values

In order to help see you TO & THROUGH retirement, your Retirement Planner should not be RETIRING before you

Redesigned Curriculum



Reengineered curriculum covering key components of Federal Retirement & Tax Planning (now in 1-hr sessions)



FEDucated Handbook compiling the course materials for each event will be available in the handouts



8-Part Case Study: The Serbus Triplets
Follow the Serbus Family in an unprecedented 8-part Federal Retirement comparative analysis



AGENDA

1. TSP 101
2. TSP Fund Overview
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4. TSP Caveats & Constraints
5. Thrift SPENDING Years
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TSP 101

Compound Interest – Story of Jack & Blake

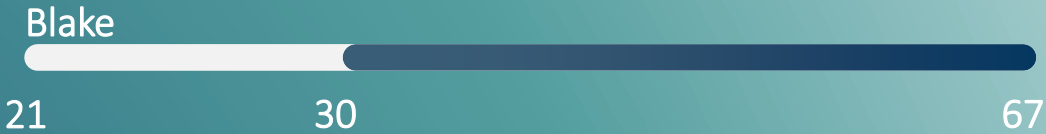
Jack

Saved \$200/mo from age 21-30
Jack invested \$0 after age 30
Plans to Retire at age 67



Blake

Saved \$200/mo from age 30-67
Jack invested \$90,000+ after age 30
Plans to Retire at age 67



JACK	Total Invested over 9 years:	Return:
	\$21,600	\$2,547,150

BLAKE	Total Invested over 38 years:	Return:
	\$91,200	\$1,483,033

> 72%

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DON'T TRADE WHAT
YOU WANT MOST FOR
WHAT YOU WANT RIGHT
NOW

TSP MILESTONE AGES

Catch Up Contributions

Beginning at age 50, Catch Up Contributions of \$7,500/yr are allowed for each remaining year of employment

Roth Catch-Up Contributions

Early Distribution Penalty Ends

Early Distribution Penalty goes away.

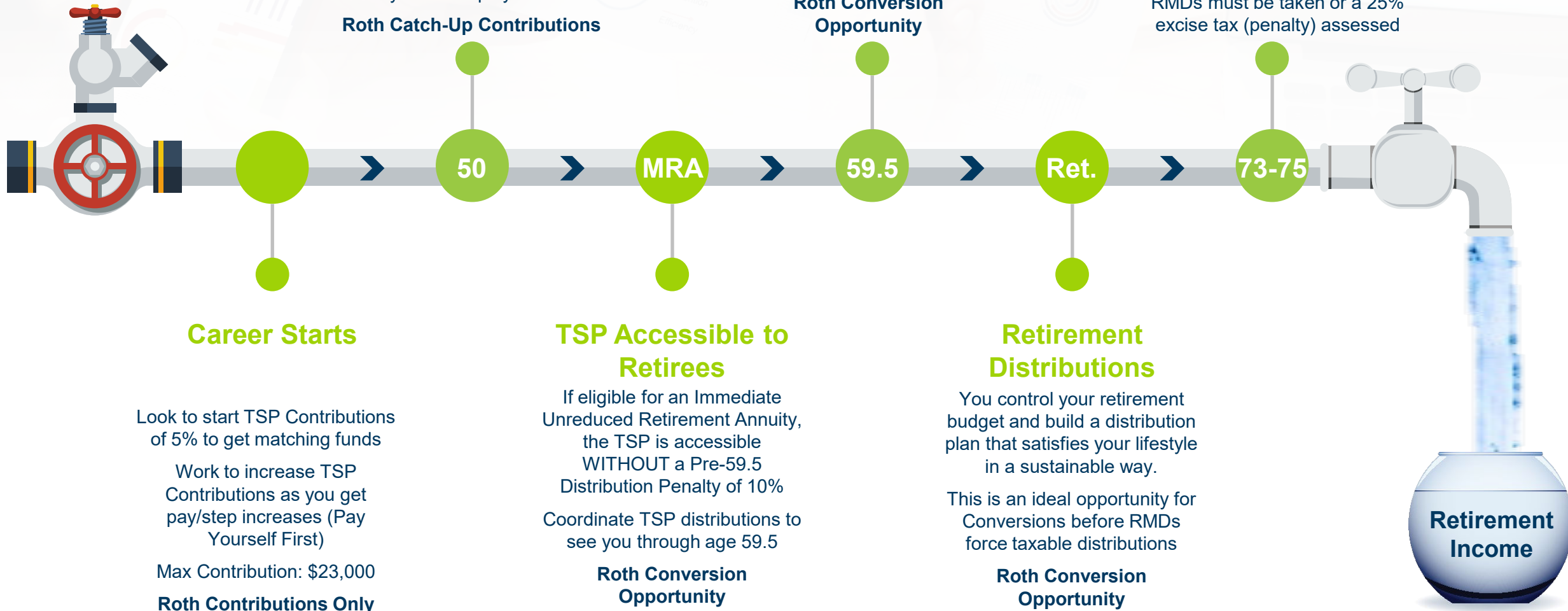
Access to TSP for non-retirees

Roth Conversion Opportunity

RMD's Begin

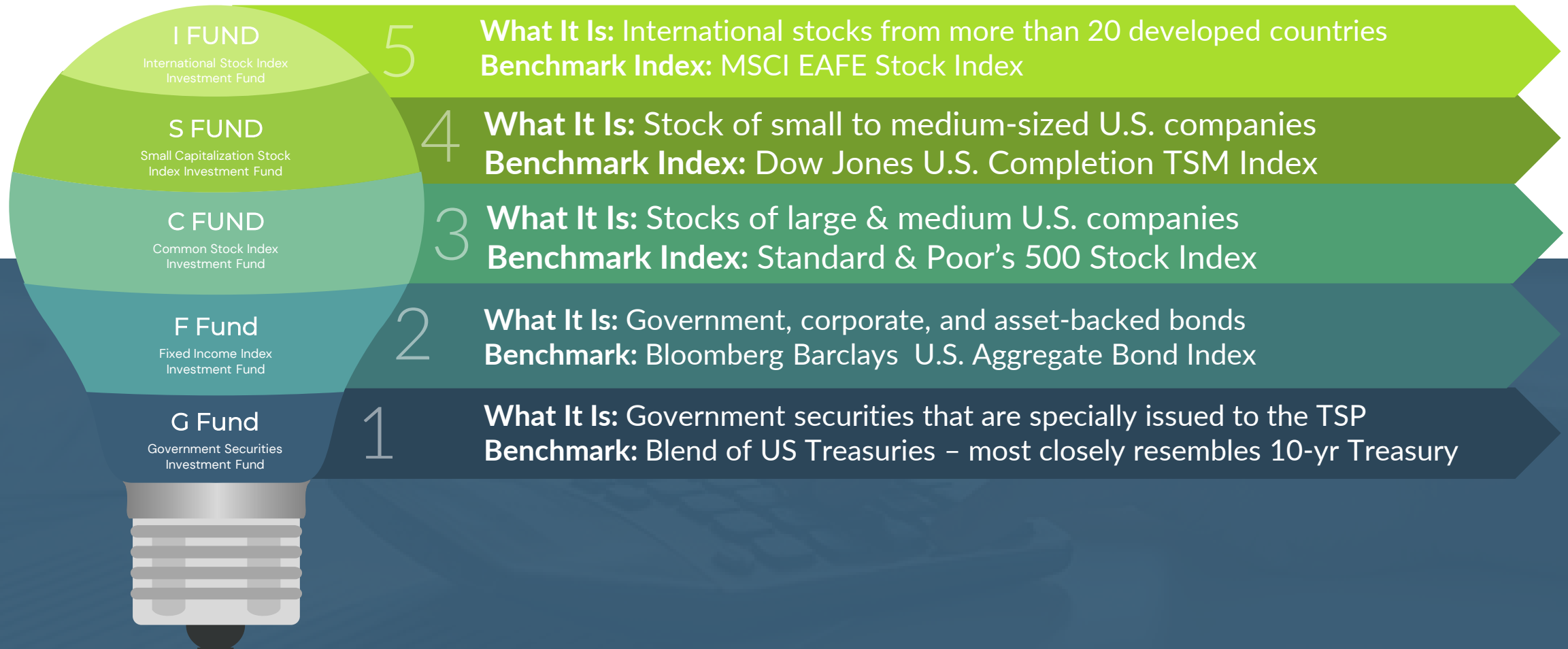
Recently updated from age 70.5, once a retiree achieves age 73-75 (DOB dependent) they go onto the "IRS Distribution Plan."

RMDs must be taken or a 25% excise tax (penalty) assessed



TSP FUNDS

TSP Fund Overview



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G FUND

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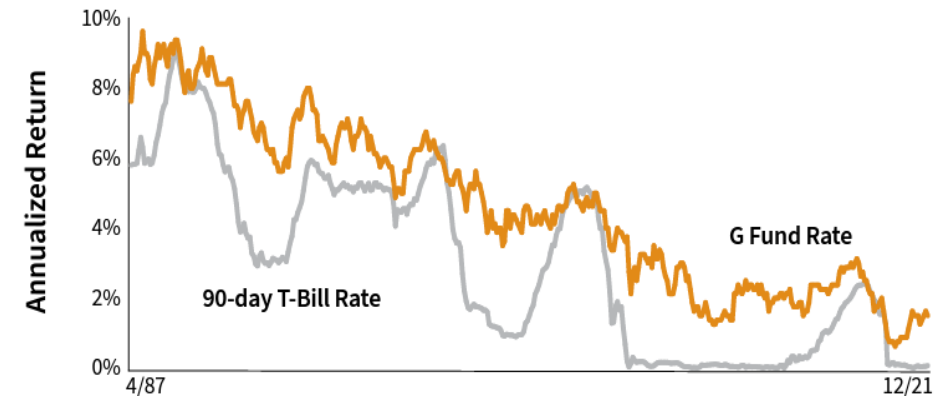
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G Fund Yield Advantage

April 1987 – December 2021



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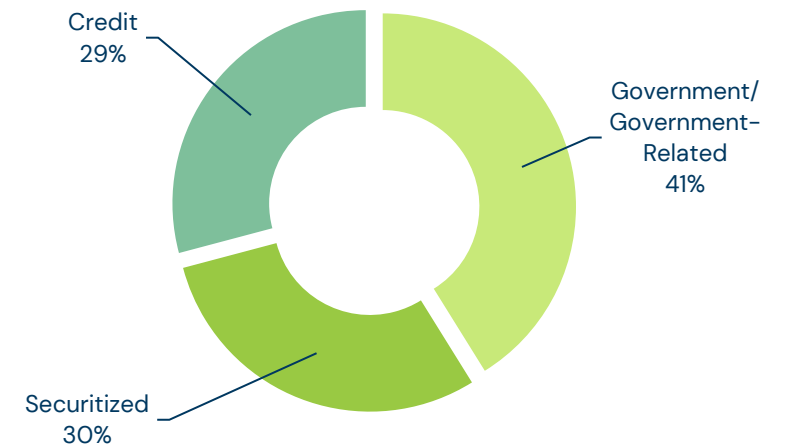
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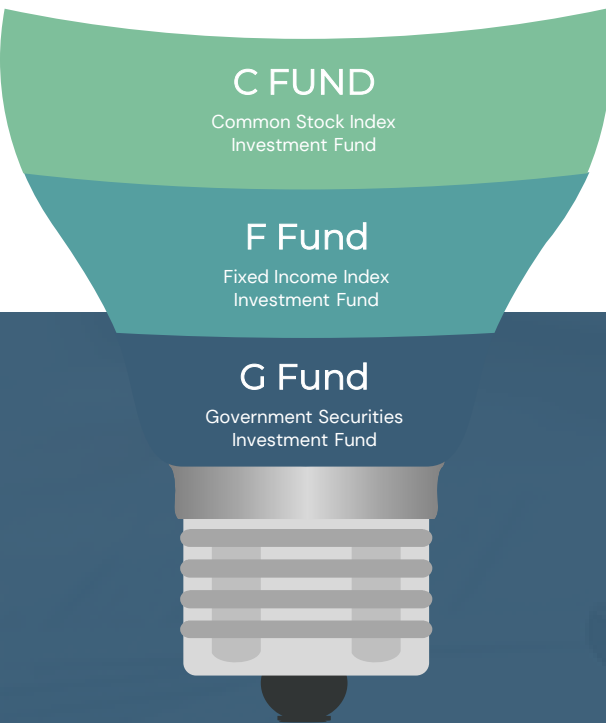
Bond Market Sectors*



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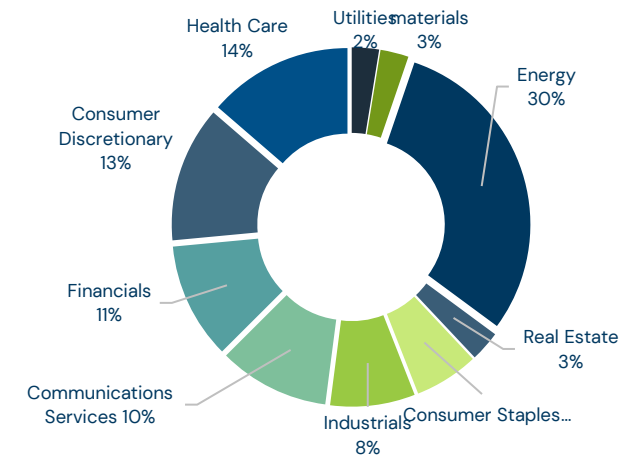
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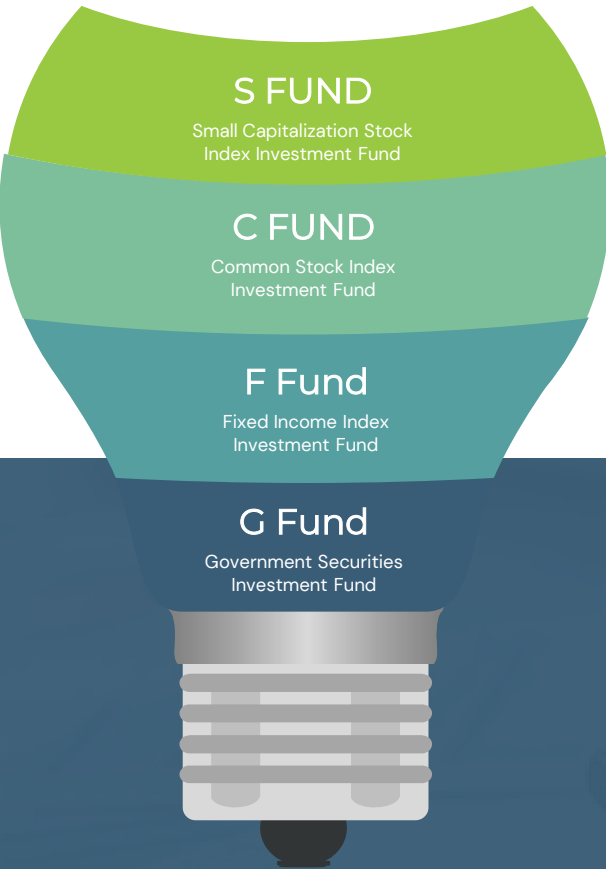
Major Industry Groups*



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S FUND

Small Capitalization Stock Index Investment Fund

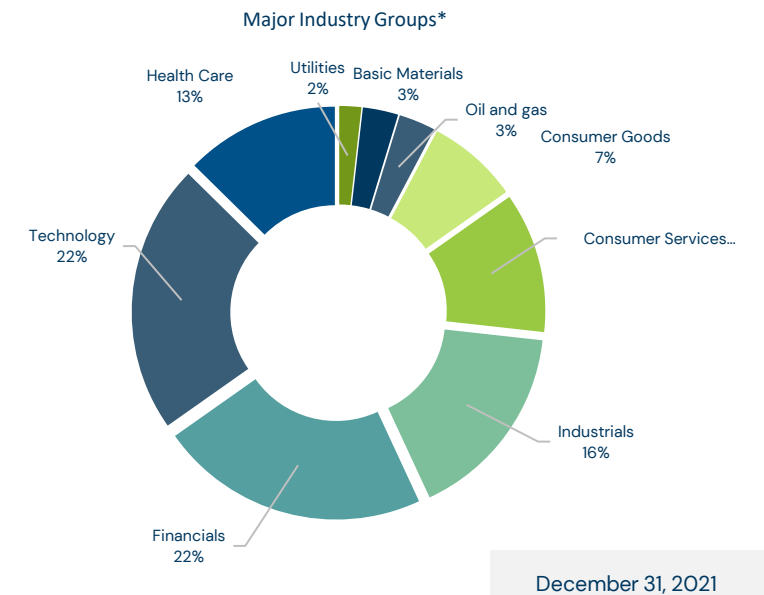
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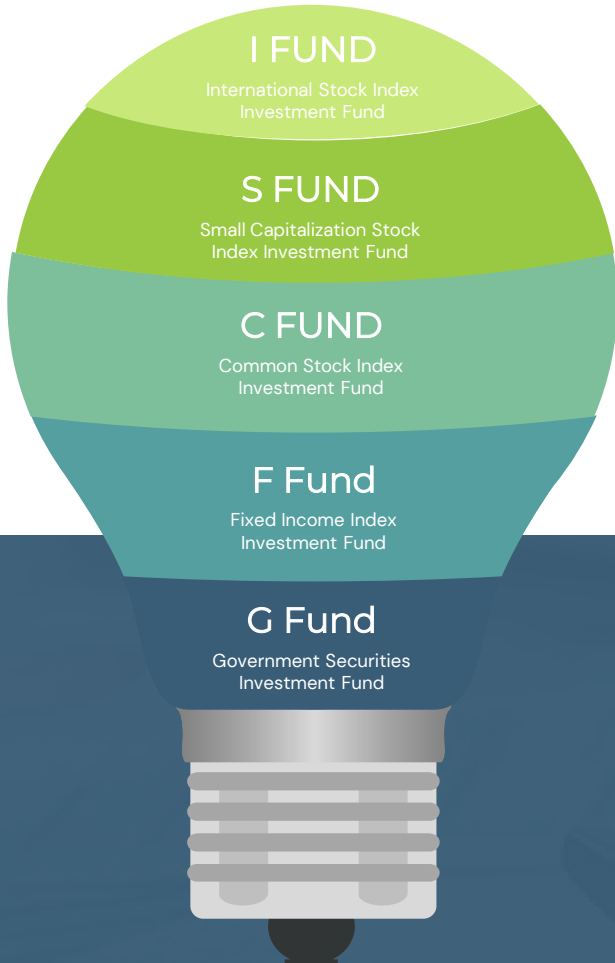
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What It Is: International stocks from more than 20 developed countries

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MSCI EAFE Index Country Composition December 31, 2022

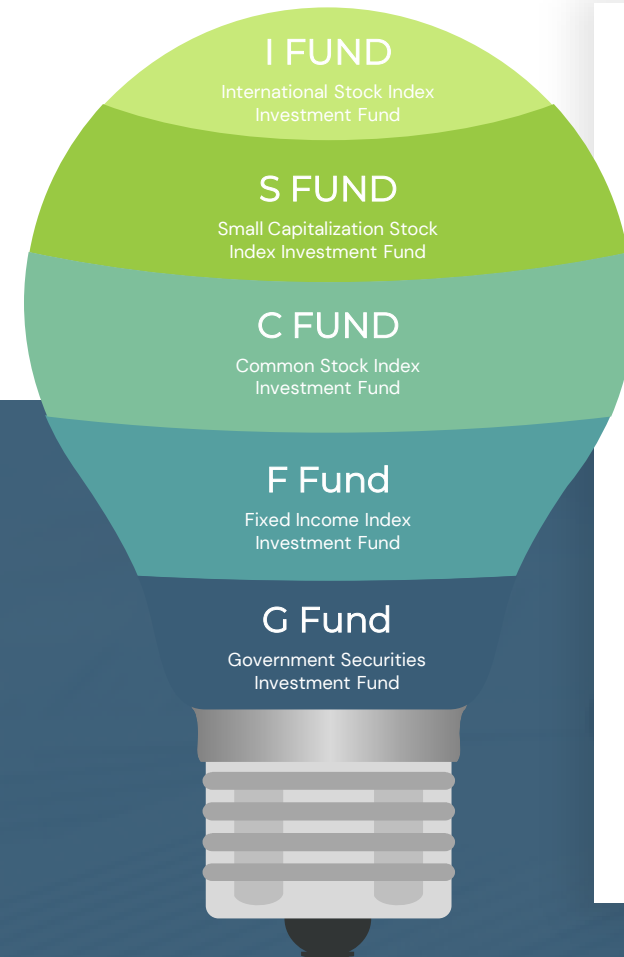
Country	Percent of Holdings*	Number of Companies
Europe		
Austria	0.2	4
Belgium	1.0	12
Denmark	3.0	16
Finland	1.0	11
France	11.8	65
Germany	8.2	59
Ireland	0.7	7
Italy	2.4	23
Netherlands	4.3	25
Norway	0.8	12
Portugal	0.2	5
Spain	2.4	19
Sweden	3.3	45
Switzerland	10.1	43
United Kingdom	15.3	82
Europe	64.7	428
Australasia/Far East		
Australia	7.9	59
Hong Kong	3.0	33
Israel	0.7	15
Japan	21.9	235
New Zealand	0.2	5
Singapore	1.5	21
Australasia/Far East	35.0	368
Total EAFE Index	100.0%	796

Source: BlackRock

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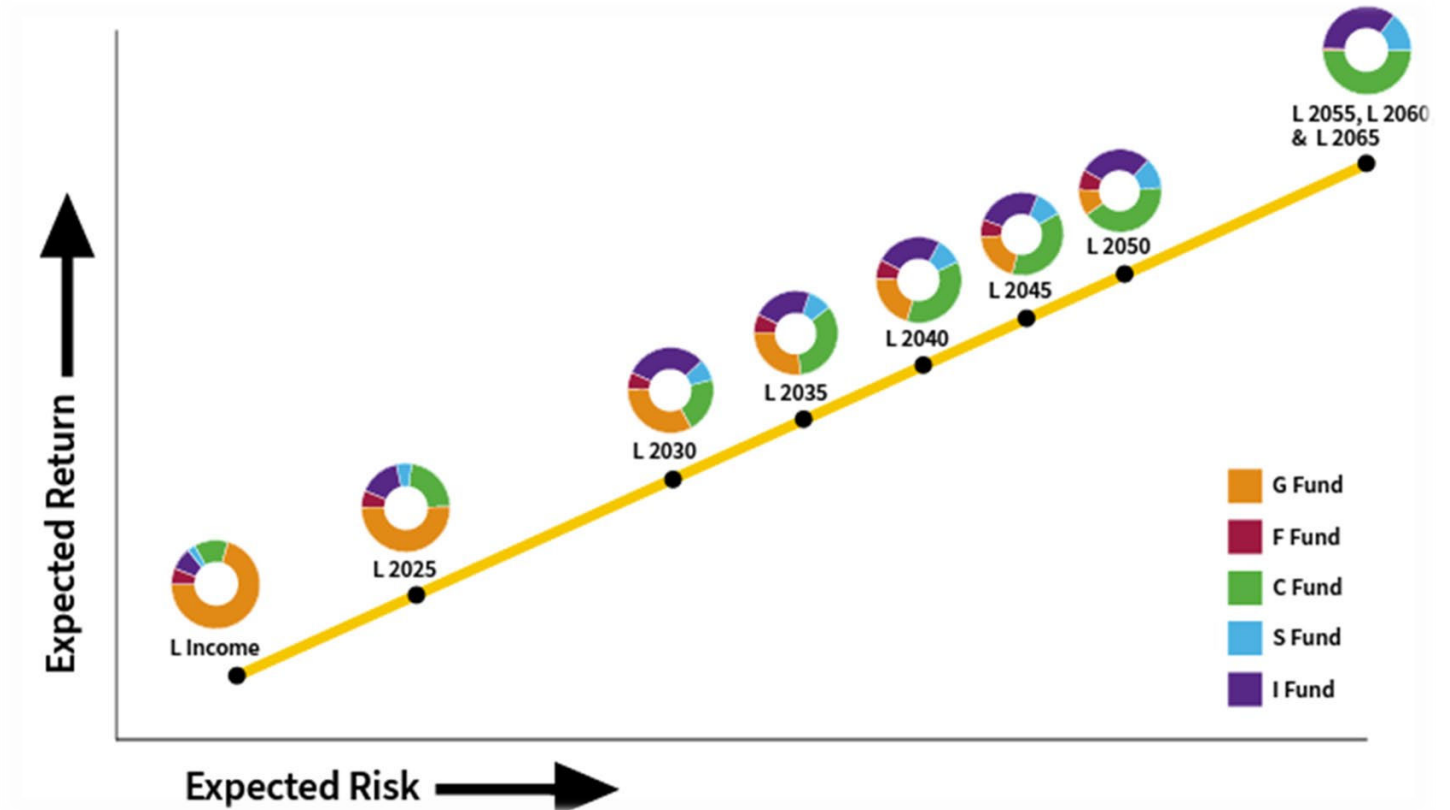
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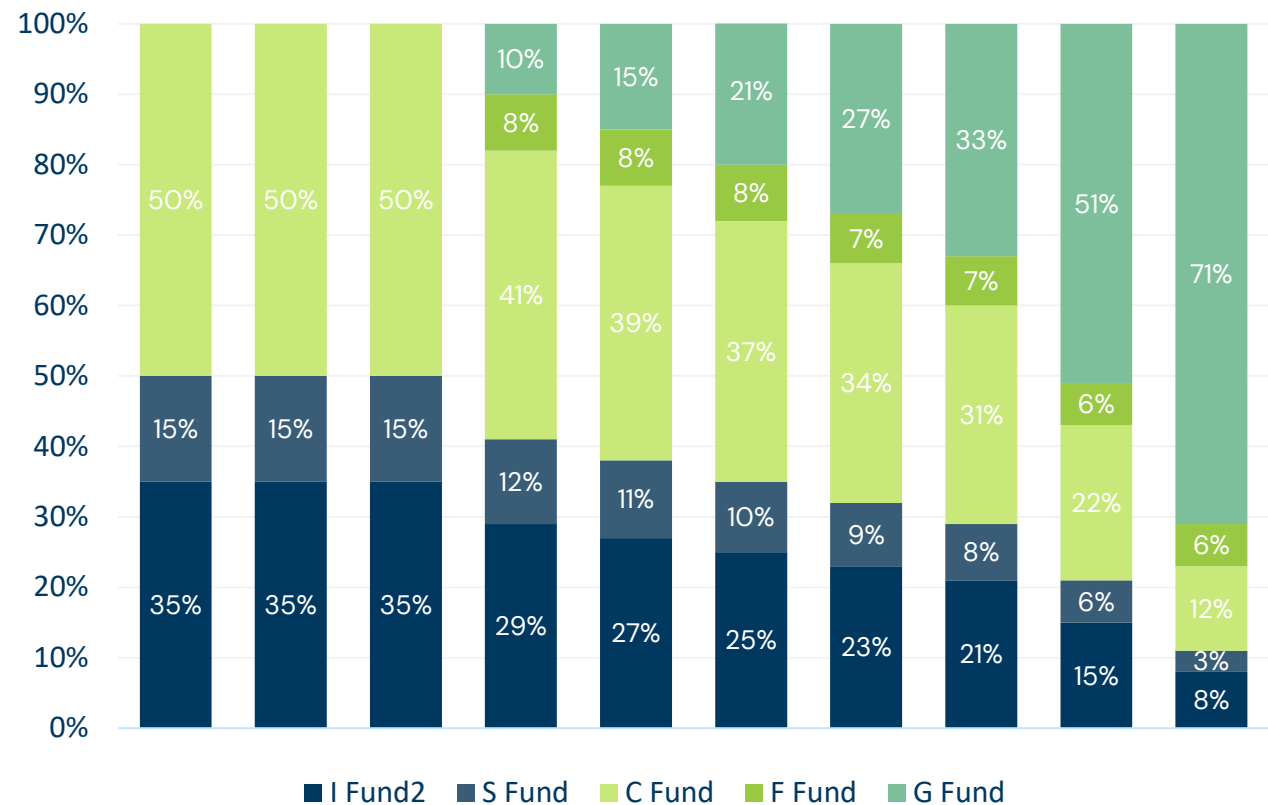
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TSP Lifecycle Fund Overview



Less than 1% of the L 2065 L 2060, and L 2055 Funds is invested in the G and F Funds.

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Thrift **SAVING** Years

Tsp Key Questions Guide



CONTRIBUTION AMOUNT

HOW MUCH ARE YOU GOING TO SAVE?

Spread contributions
over 26 pay periods to
maximize 5% matching
contributions



INVESTMENT ELECTION

WHAT DO YOU WANT NEW \$\$ TO BUY?

You may elect to invest
new money in a
different way than your
existing TSP account
holdings



ACCOUNT ALLOCATION

WHAT FUND(S) IS YOUR EXISTING \$\$ ALREADY IN?

Balancing Risk &
Reward with the
allocation of your TSP
savings



TAX TREATMENT OF CONTRIBUTION

WHEN DO YOU WANT TO PAY TAXES ON YOUR TSP?

Are you going to pay
taxes at today's known
rates on the seeds?

Are you going to pay
taxes at an unknown
future rate on the
harvest?



TSP BENEFICIARY FORMS

WHO DO YOU WANT TO LEAVE THE TSP TO?

Most recent beneficiary
form supersedes all
previous TSP-3

Spousal Beneficiaries
retitle TSP account

TSP Key Decisions

Three Key Elements that greatly impact your TSP's opportunity to supplement your retirement



TSP Contributions

How much are you going to save towards the future?

What do you want this new money to purchase?



TSP Investment Allocations

How much risk are you comfortable with?

How much risk does your TSP/portfolio already have?

How much risk does your retirement projection require for sustainability?



TSP Tax Diversity

The Retirement Tax Gamble – when are you going to pay taxes on your TSP?

Traditional – Taxed upon distribution at unknown future rates

Roth – Taxed upon contribution at known current rates



Pt. 1 – “How much to Contribute”

Contribution Limits 2024

TSP (Employer Plan)

Base Contributions

\$23,000 (Any Age)

Catch Up Contributions

\$7,500 (Age 50+)

*TSP matches bi-weekly contributions up to 5%

The combination allows a saver
over the age of 50 to contribute:

\$38,500 per year

Ira (Individual Acct)

Base Contributions

\$7,000 (Any Age)

Catch Up Contributions

\$1,000 (Age 50+)



TSP Matching Contributions

Thrift Savings Plan Match



You put in:	Your agency puts in:		And the total contribution is:
	Automatic (1%) Contribution	Agency Matching Contribution	
0%	1%	0%	1%
1%	1%	1%	3%
2%	1%	2%	5%
3%	1%	3%	7%
4%	1%	3.5%	8.5%
5%	1%	4%	10%
More than 5%	1%	4%	Your contribution + 5%

Never miss out on FREE MONEY

First 5% is guaranteed a 100% "return" (via Agency Matching Contribution)

Allocation Options

Planting The Seeds

Investment Election for New Money

- Allocation for new contributions
- Previously referred to as “Contribution Allocation”
- Reoccurring investment each pay pd

Where to plant the Seeds



How to position the Harvest

Position The Harvest

Reallocations of Existing Account Balance*

- Select the % in each of the TSP funds for the money already in your account

Fund Transfer*

- Moves \$ from one or more specific funds to another specific fund without affecting rest of the account

**Only 2 moves per month (+ free move to G Fund)*



Allocation Options & the IRS

Traditional TSP

Traditional Contributions

- Tax Deferred = Lowers current year tax bill
- Contributions + earnings = Taxable In Retirement
 - At what rate? Future Tax Rates

Pay tax on the Seeds



Pay tax on the Harvest

ROTH TSP

Roth Contributions

- After Tax = Taxable as Income at today's rates
 - Reported on current year's 1040
- Contributions + Earnings = Tax Free in Retirement
 - Even if tax rates double, you pay 0%*

*So long as Roth Seasoning Rules are followed



Pt. 3 – “When to pay taxes”

The Retirement Contribution Gamble

Pay tax on the Harvest



VS

Pay tax on the Seeds



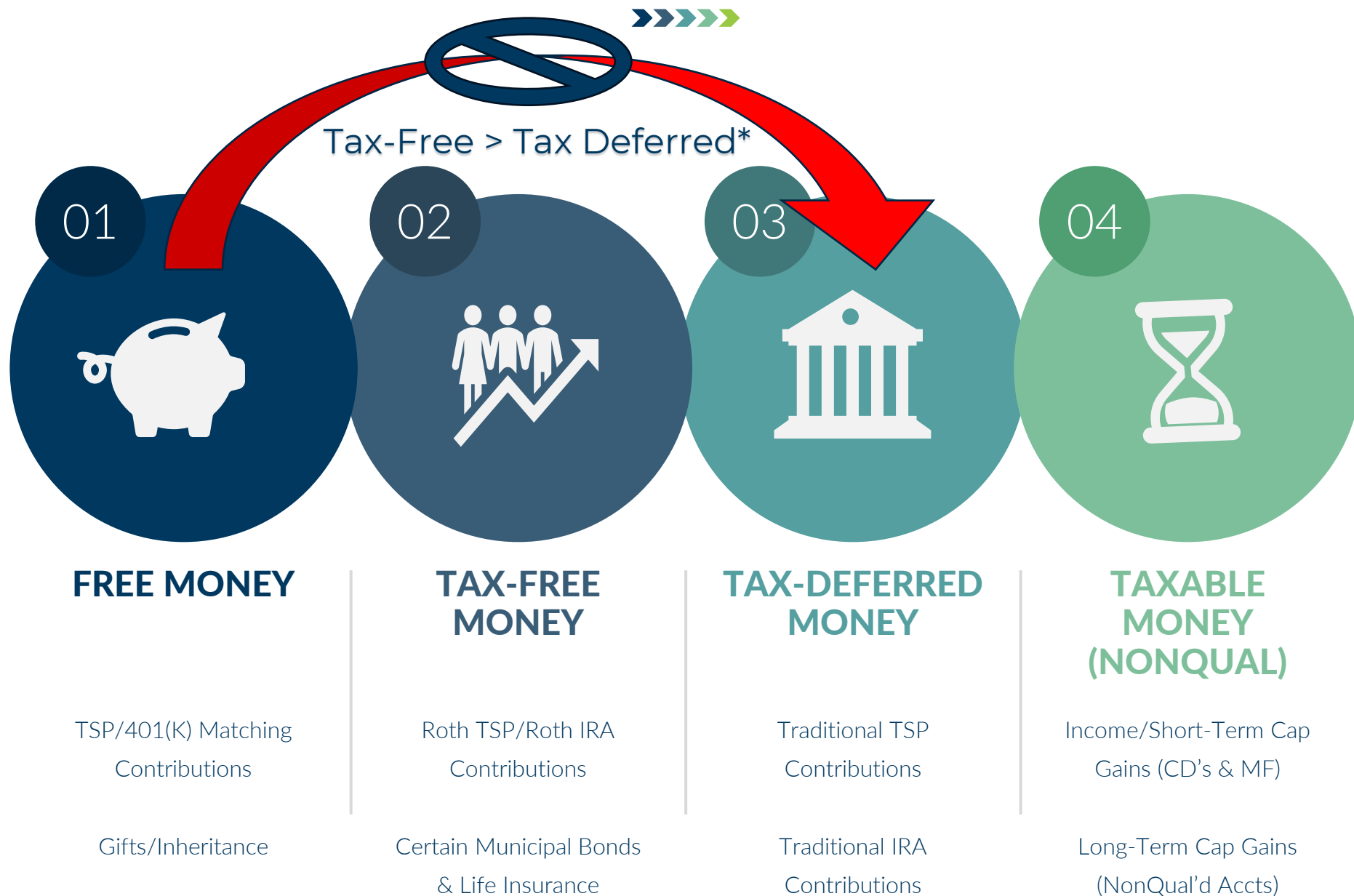
Goal:
Pay Taxes When
YOUR Rates are
LOWEST

Historical Marginal Tax Rates 1944-2024

Year	Taxable Income \$50,000	Taxable Income \$200,000
1944	75%	94%
1950	72%	90%
1960	72%	90%
1970	60%	70%
1980	55%	70%
1990	33%	33%
2000	28%	36%
2014	25%	33%
2024	12%	22%

The Chart traces the highest federal personal income tax rates from 1915 to today. The amount of income subject to these varying rates has also changed. In 1965-67, a rate of 70% applied to taxable income over \$200,000 equal to approximately \$1,043,000 in current dollars.

Tax-Wise Savings Hierarchy



*For those concerned about future tax rates

Tsp Recap of Benefits

1

Extremely Low Internal Expenses

- 1% Automatic Contribution to Traditional TSP
- Up to 5% Match each pay period
- Match always Traditional, even if 100% of employee contributions are to the Roth TSP

2

Government Match

- Widely diverse fund offerings simple access to different benchmark indices for ~0.06% avg fee

3

Roth Tsp Option Regardless Of Income

- Roth IRA Income Limits
 - \$153,000 = Single
 - \$228,000 = Joint
- Roth TSP Contributions allowed at ALL incomes
 - Still gets matched into Trad TSP as well

4

Inexpensive Tsp Loans

- General Purpose loans typically offer up to \$50,000 (some restrictions)
 - Application Fee \$50
 - Interest Rate = G Fund % paid to YOURSELF

5

G Fund Accessibility

While never intended to keep up with/outpace inflation, the G Fund typically tracks the 10-yr Treasury to calculate its yield but does not come with a 10 year commitment like a 10-yr T-Bill does

6

Expanded Investment Options

Expanded investment options via Mutual Fund Window provides add'l diversification opportunities
(Note: Funds in MF Window cannot be borrowed via TSP Loan)

TSP Caveats & Constraints

TSP CAVEATS & CONSTRAINTS

REALLOCATION LIMITATIONS

Only 2 reallocations or interfund transfers allowed each month

Transferring into or out of the MF Window counts

NO INTERNAL ROTH CONVERSIONS

TSP does not offer the ability to do strategic tax planning within the TSP

Roth conversions must utilize IRAs and Roth IRAs

ONLY IRREVOCABLE INCOME GUARANTEES

The TSP only offers an IRREVOCABLE IMMEDIATE ANNUITY to guarantee an income for life.

A SPIA means:

- No access to lump sum during life or for beneficiaries – depending on initial election

G FUND IS GOVT'S LENDER OF LAST RESORT

When US hits debt ceiling, the Treasury Department enacts "extra-ordinary means" which allows the Gov't to borrow your G Fund savings (without asking you) in order to avoid defaulting

NO STRETCHING TAX-LIABILITY (INHERITANCE)

The TSP does not offer the ability for the next generation to stretch the tax-liability of an inherited TSP over 10 years (like SECURE Act allows)

PRO-RATA FUND DISTRIBUTIONS

Want to pull \$\$ from the G Fund during a down mkt? Perhaps you want the C Fund during a Bull Mkt?

Too bad! Distributions are proportionate to allocations

Taxes Are “on Sale”

Current Rates Vs Scheduled Rates



Potential Roth IRA conversion
opportunity?

TCJA (2024+2025)

\$731,200	37%
\$487,450	35%
\$383,900	32%
\$201,050	24%
\$94,300	22%
\$23,200	12%
	10%

Reverted Rates (2026)*

39.6%	\$553,600
35%	\$490,000
33%	\$274,400
28%	\$180,000
25%	\$89,450
15%	\$22,000
10%	



*Brackets will be adjusted for inflation

Based on 2024 tax brackets for married couples filing a joint tax return. Projected example is based on tax brackets in place prior to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) adjusted for inflation through 2024. Current tax brackets are scheduled to expire at the end of 2025 with pre-TCJA tax brackets applying, adjusted for inflation. Note that other tax items are scheduled to change after sunset provision in 2025 including (for example) personal exemptions returning, lower standard deduction, less restrictions on itemized deductions, and lower exemptions applying for Alternative Minimum (AMT) tax purposes.

Government's Largest Budget Items



\$1,749,000,000,000

Medicare & Medicaid




\$1,414,000,000,000




Social Security

Defense Spending




\$870,000,000,000




Interest on Debt

2020	\$329,000,000,000
2023	\$536,000,000,000
2024	\$791,000,000,000

6TH Largest Expense = Federal Pensions \$392,000,000,000 

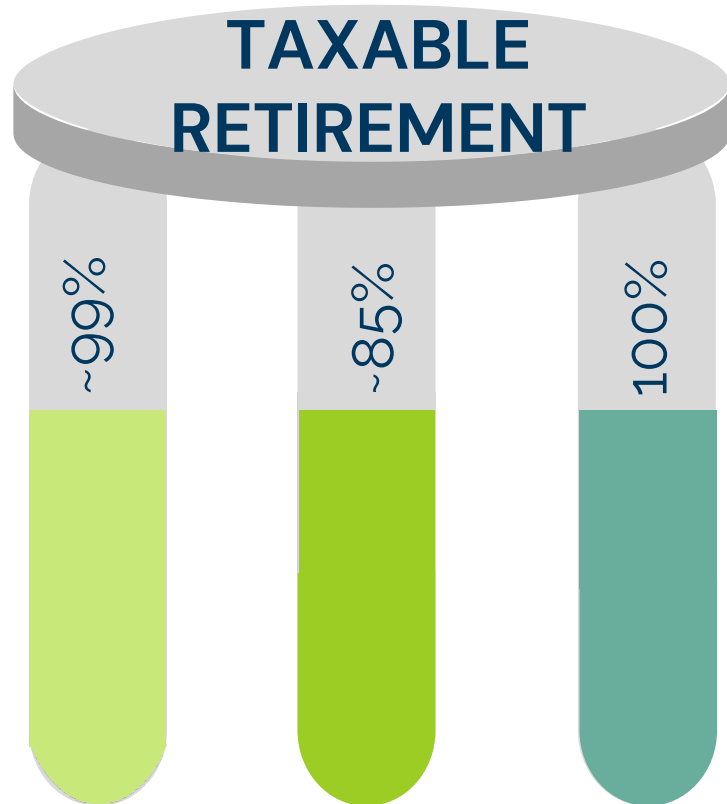
Pace of US National Debt Accumulation

Time Required to Reach Total U.S. Debt Levels	
<u>Of:</u>	
\$10 Trillion	232 Years
\$20 Trillion	9 Years
\$30 Trillion	5 Years
Last Trillion \$	100 Days
Latest Level	\$34.4 + Trillion

In 2024, Uncle Sam's interest-only
payments on National Debt cost \$2.4B
EVERY SINGLE DAY

Future Tax Rates IMPACT FERS Retirees

If tax rates increase in the future, the “3-Legged Stool” may leave you overly exposed to the IRS's outstretched hands



01 FERS Pension

02 Social Security

03 TSP Distributions



FERS Pension

~99% Reported as TAXABLE INCOME



Social Security

~85% Reported as TAXABLE INCOME*

**due to Prov Income Level*



TRAD. TSP Distributions

100% Reported as TAXABLE INCOME

Tax Planning From A Traditional TSP



1 Traditional Tax-Deferred TSP

Traditional TSP to Roth TSP internal Roth conversions are not allowed. As such, defusing the tax-deferred time-bomb of the Traditional TSP means moving funds out of TSP.



2 Transfer to Traditional IRA

If converting over multiple years, common to move funds to a Traditional IRA that allows internal piecemeal Roth conversions so that you have the flexibility to dictate the pace at which you clear the tax liability.



3 Roth Conversions (Bracket Harvest)

Look at household taxable income & compare to marginal brackets to determine how much you can convert each year before hitting a tax bracket that gives you heart burn.



4 Satisfy Conversion Wait Period

LONGER OF 5-years or until age 59.5. Then get tax-free access to the gains. Early access voids tax advantages on withdrawn gains & they're subject to the 10% Early Withdrawal Penalty if under 59.5.

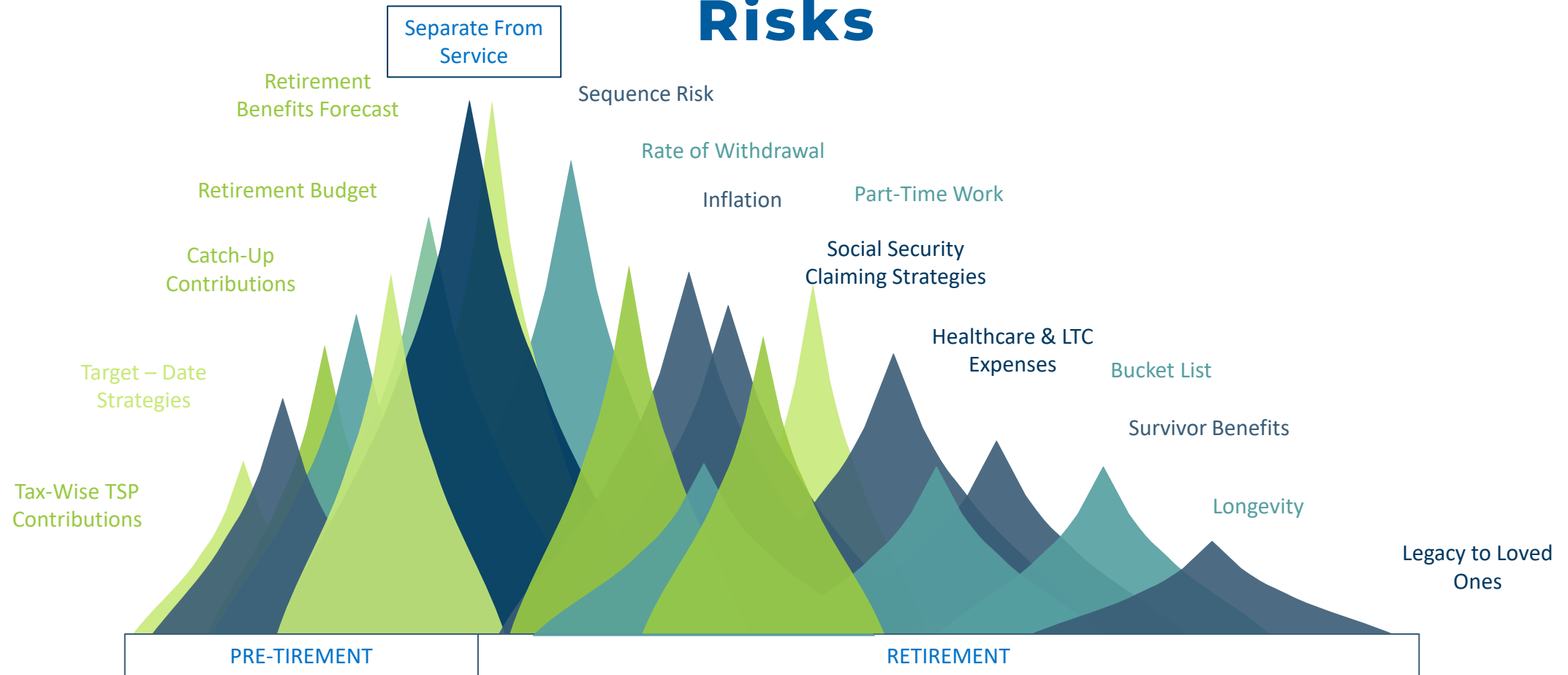


5 Tax-Free Distributions!

After-tax contributions are accessible via FIFO distributions. Once seasoned, the never-taxed gains are also available tax free... even if tax rates double!

Q5 **Thrift SPENDING Years**

Pre-tirement Vs Retirement Risks



In retirement planning, as in mountain climbing...
Most of the risk is on the decent

BUDGET CALCULATOR

1. Establish cost of today's lifestyle
2. Adjust for changes to lifestyle in retirement
3. Project Pension & Social Security Benefits
4. Establish short-fall or "gap" between budget & incomes that TSP must fill
5. Evaluate whether you are on the right path by looking at the "Net Income Summary" in the top-right corner of the calculator
6. Project the sustainability of your nest egg to maintain lifestyle



RETIREMENT BUDGET

RETIREMENT INCOME SOURCES

	Monthly	Annually
Social Security Income		
FERS/CSRS Pension		
Part Time Employment		
Rental Income		
Shares/Investments Income		
Annuity Income		
Other Retirement Plans		
TOTAL	0	0

NET INCOME SUMMARY

Annual Lifestyle Expenses	0
Est'd Annual Retirement Income	0
Annual Retirement Income Gap	0

AGE

Age Today	
Age At Retirement	
Years Until Retirement	0

HOUSING COSTS

	Monthly	Annually
Mortgage/Rent/HOA Fees		
Real Estate Taxes		
Maintenance/Repair		
Energy/Utilities		
Cable/Internet		
HELOC/Personal Loan		
Home Insurance		
Home Improvement		
Other		
TOTAL	0	0

PERSONAL EXPENSES

	Monthly	Annually
Fitness/Care		
Clothing		
Gifts/Holidays		
Dining Out		
Credit Cards		
Education		
Charitable Donations		
Memberships		
Other		
TOTAL	0	0

TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES

	Monthly	Annually
Loan/Lease Payments		
Auto Insurance		
Maintenance/Fuel		
Taxes/Registration		
Vacation		
Misc. Travel		
Other		
TOTAL	0	0

INSURANCE EXPENSES

	Monthly	Annually
FEHB/Health Insurance		
Medicare/Supplemental Ins.		
Prescription Drugs		
Dental/Vision		
FELI/Life Insurance		
FLTCIP/LTC Insurance		
Other		
TOTAL	0	0

DAILY LIVING EXPENSE

	Monthly	Annually
Groceries		
Child Care		
Parent Care		
Cell Phone		
Other		
TOTAL	0	0

EXPENSE SUMMARY

	Monthly	Annually
Housing Costs	0	0
Personal Expenses	0	0
Transportation Expenses	0	0
Daily Living Expenses	0	0
Insurance/Health Expenses	0	0
TOTAL	0	0



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To save your budget with the data and calculations you click the printer icon and then choose to "Print to PDF" which will allow you to download your completed budget for your records!

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Federal Retirement Budget Calculator

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TSP Distribution Options



Transfer IRA/ROTH IRA

- Transfer funds from TSP directly to an IRA custodian to expand investment options & distribution strategies
- Direct Transfers/Rollovers are NOT taxable events

INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS

- Can be regular installments of a Fixed Dollar or Based on Life Expectancy
- Life Expectancy payments are not guaranteed for life
- Life expectancy payments usually look to IRS life expectancy tables (86 y/o) but do not address income continuation. Payments end when account = \$0.00

PARTIAL WITHDRAWALS

- No longer a limit on in-service/post-separation withdrawals
- Requires notary involvement (you + spouse) on all w/drawals
- Partial withdrawals are now more flexible with the TSP than ever before but are generally used for shock expenses not monthly budget

LUMP SUM DISTRIBUTION

- Traditional TSP=taxable event (often increases tax bracket)
- Tax Rates may be higher at time of distribution & w/drawal ends compounding growth
- Lump Sum Distributions limit future growth and are rarely utilized in retirement planning outside of shock expenses (like a medical emergency)



(ANTIQUATED) TSP ANNUITY

- Can elect an IRREVOCABLE Immediate Annuity (SPIA)
- Life Expectancy payments are not guaranteed for life
- High risk of dis inheriting loved ones – in order to mitigate this risk, must lower monthly payments in order to “buy” income continuation & legacy guarantees

TSP Distribution Options (Cont'd)



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Life Expectancy Payments

Single Life Table

Age	Distribution Period	Approximate Percentage
60	25.2	3.97%
61	24.4	4.10%
62	23.5	4.26%
63	22.7	4.41%
64	21.8	4.59%
65	21	4.76%
66	20.2	4.95%
67	19.4	5.15%
68	18.6	5.38%
69	17.8	5.62%

What if you live beyond age 86.2?

Account Balance ÷ Distribution Period = % of account balance that must be withdrawn during calendar year



Thrift Savings Plan

TSP Distribution Options (Cont'd)



(ANTIQUATED) TSP ANNUITY

- ✓ Can elect an IRREVOCABLE Immediate Annuity (SPIA)
- ✓ Guarantees owner cannot outlive income payments no matter how long they live
- ✓ High risk of disinheriting loved ones – in order to mitigate this risk, must lower monthly payments in order to “buy” income continuation & legacy guarantees

TSP Life Annuity

- Income is assured for the life of the annuitant(s)
- Funds are transferred from TSP to the annuity provider, and benefits are “locked in” when the request is processed.

Life Annuity	Single Life	Joint Life with Spouse	Joint Life with Other Survivor
Survivor benefit (50% or 100%)		✓	✓
Level payments	✓	✓	✓
Increasing payments	✓	✓	
Cash refund	✓	✓	✓
10-year certain	✓		

TSP Annuity



The TSP only offers 1 type of annuity: **SPIA** – Single Premium Immediate Annuity

SPIAs require you to trade ALL liquidity (Access) for Guaranteed Income at the risk of dis inheriting loved ones



Pros:

- Immediate income stream guaranteed for:
 - Life (Joint Life)
 - Period certain
 - Cash refund
- No responsibility to manage money through different markets & interest rate environments



Cons:

- IRREVOCABLE
- Disinheritance Risk
- No lump sum access
- Inflation adjustment capped @ 3%
- 17-23 year “break even” pd
- Traditional TSP becomes another forever-taxable “pension”



TSP Distribution Options (Cont'd)



DIRECT TRANSFER/ ROLLOVER TO IRA

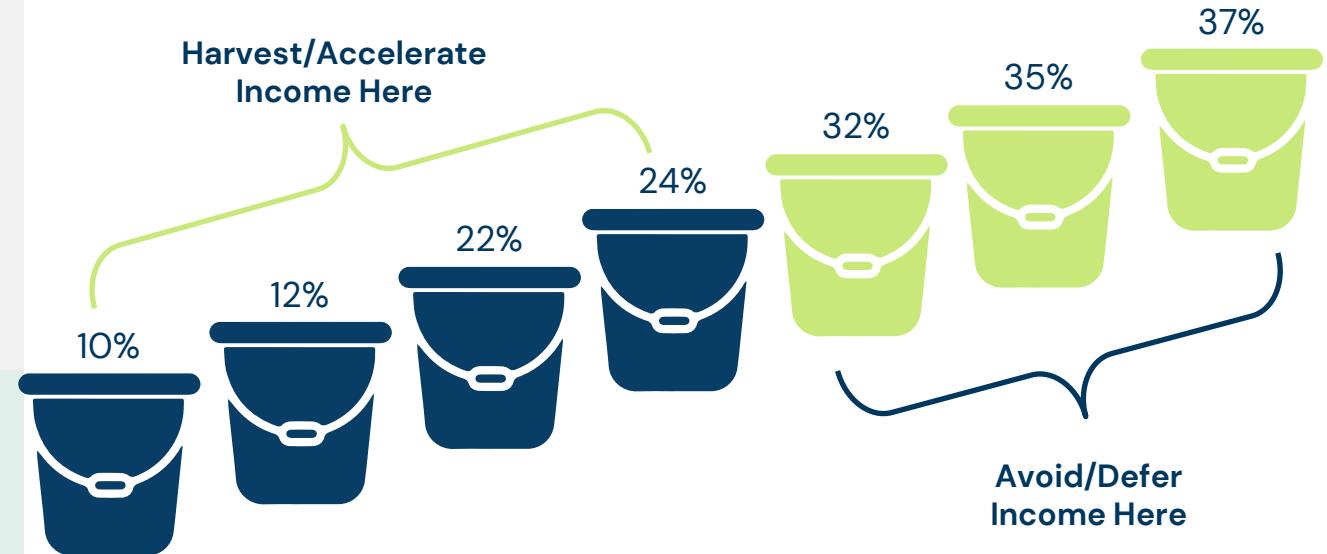
- ✓ A Traditional TSP transferred to a Traditional IRA = Non taxable event
- ✓ IRAs generally have more investment options & offer tax-efficient **"Stretch IRA"** options for beneficiaries
- ✓ Trad. TSP to Trad. IRA & Roth TSP to Roth IRA are both "like-to-like" transfers and thus are non-taxable events

SYSTEMATIC CONVERSIONS

- ✓ Bracket Harvesting conversions through EOY 2025 to clear tax liability at today's low rates & earn tax-free gains
- ✓ Protects Retirement from higher future tax rates while minimizing current year taxation
- ✓ Roth IRAs are NOT subject to RMD distributions

"Bracket Harvesting"

OPTIMIZING TAX DEFERRAL: WHEN TO DEFER AND WHEN TO HARVEST INSTEAD



Federal Retirement Case Study

FEDucated Case Study



The Question At Hand

- Does the SEQUENCE of Returns that my portfolio experiences matter during the ACCUMULATION Phase?
- Does the SEQUENCE of Returns that my portfolio experiences matter in the DISTRIBUTION Phase?

Consider:

- Can you control when a Bear Market occurs?
- Will your retirement face at least 1 Bear Market?
- What are the average draw downs of recent BearMarkets?

The SERBUS Triplets



Fred Serbus

Market Gains First

In this example we will show Fred's experience with market returns both during his career and during his retirement years where distributions are required from the portfolio to maintain the desired lifestyle.



Milton Serbus

Static Rate of Return

In this example we will show Milton's experience with market returns during his career to help highlight how Sequence of Returns risk doesn't impact those saving towards retirement while living on their Earned Wages.



Sybil Serbus

Market Losses First

In this example we will show Sybil's experience with market returns both during his career and during his retirement years where distributions are required from the portfolio to maintain the desired lifestyle.

SEQUENCE OF RETURNS RISK

Investing \$1,000,000 PRIOR to taking distributions



Return	Value
27%	?
9%	?
7%	?
-15%	?

Avg ~6% Returns



Return	Value
-15%	?
7%	?
9%	?
27%	?

Avg ~6% Returns



Return	Value
6%	?
6%	?
6%	?
6%	?

Difference = Rounding

FRED RETIRES IN AN UP MARKET (HIGH EARLY RETURNS)



Chart assumes a \$1,000,000 starting balance with an annual \$50,000 withdrawal (inflation-adjusted by 3.5% per year). This is a hypothetical example and is not intended to project the performance of any specific investment or index. It is not possible to invest directly in an index. If this were an actual product, the returns may be reduced by certain fees and charges. Withdrawals are subject to ordinary income tax and, if taken prior to age 59½, a 10% federal additional tax.

SYBIL RETIRES IN A DOWN MARKET (LOW EARLY RETURNS)

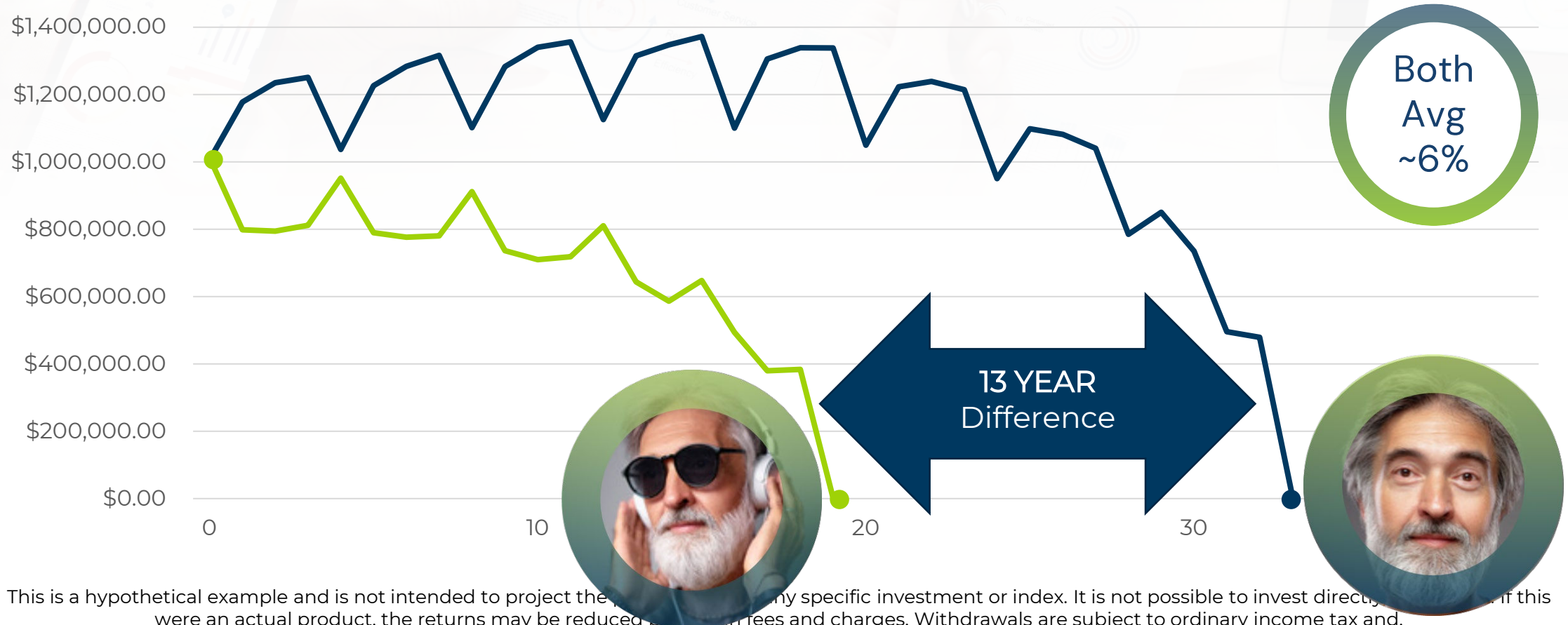


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STARTING IN AN
UP MARKET



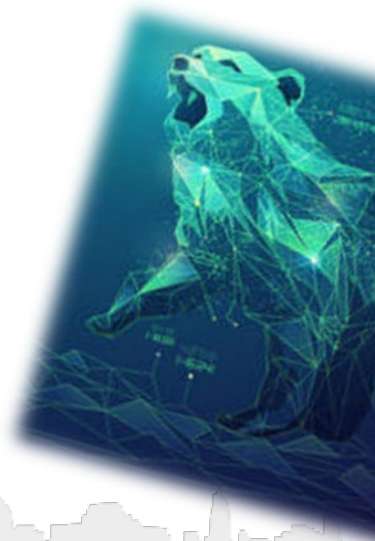
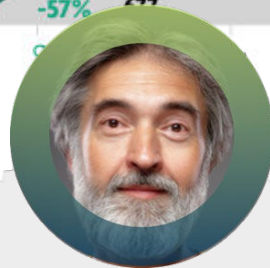
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SP500 (1998-2023)

**Are your retirement
assets prepared for
a market downturn?**





POLL QUESTION



Over the last 60 years, the AVERAGE BEAR MARKET has created declines of ~35%. If your portfolio were to experience a 35% decline, what return would you need the next year for your account balance to fully recover?

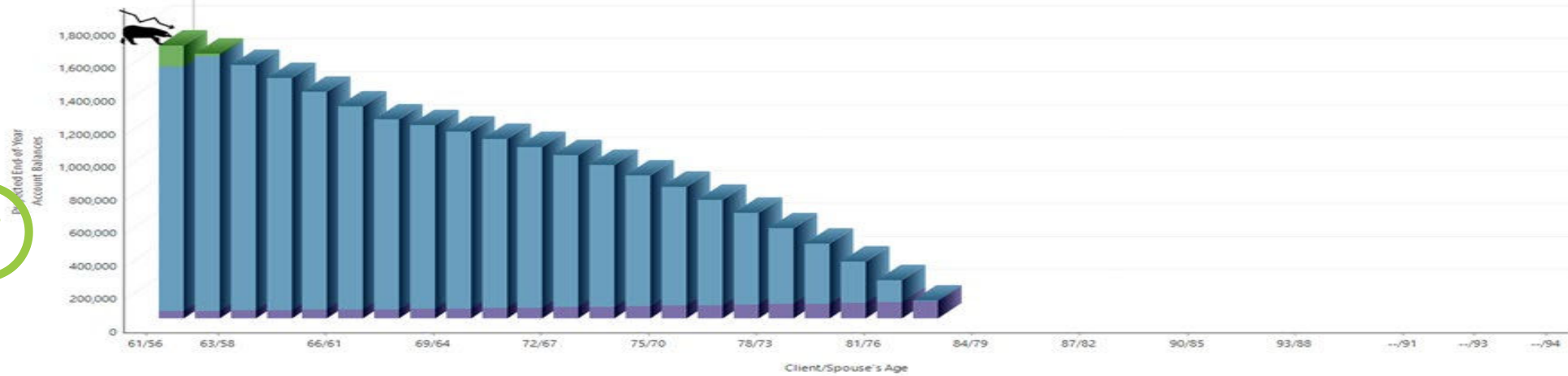
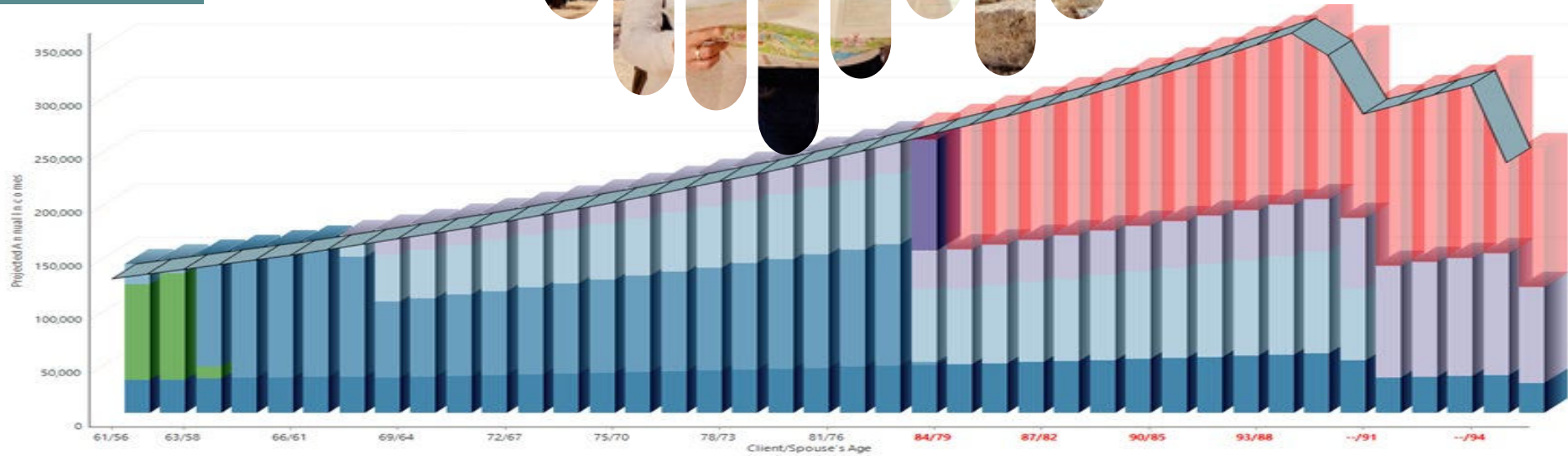
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Average Bear Market ~35% Decline
 Bear Icon Represents a -35% Return on Assets

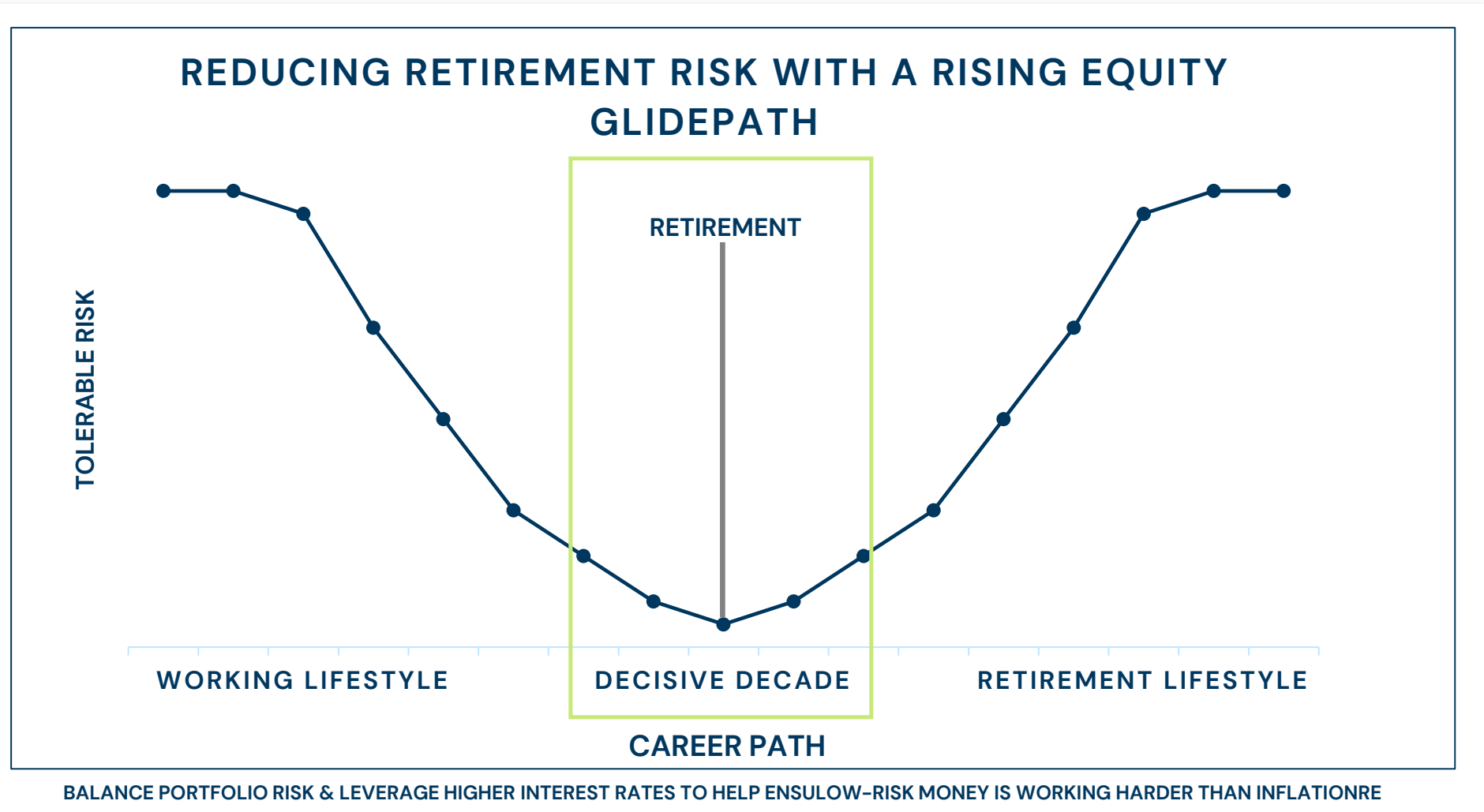


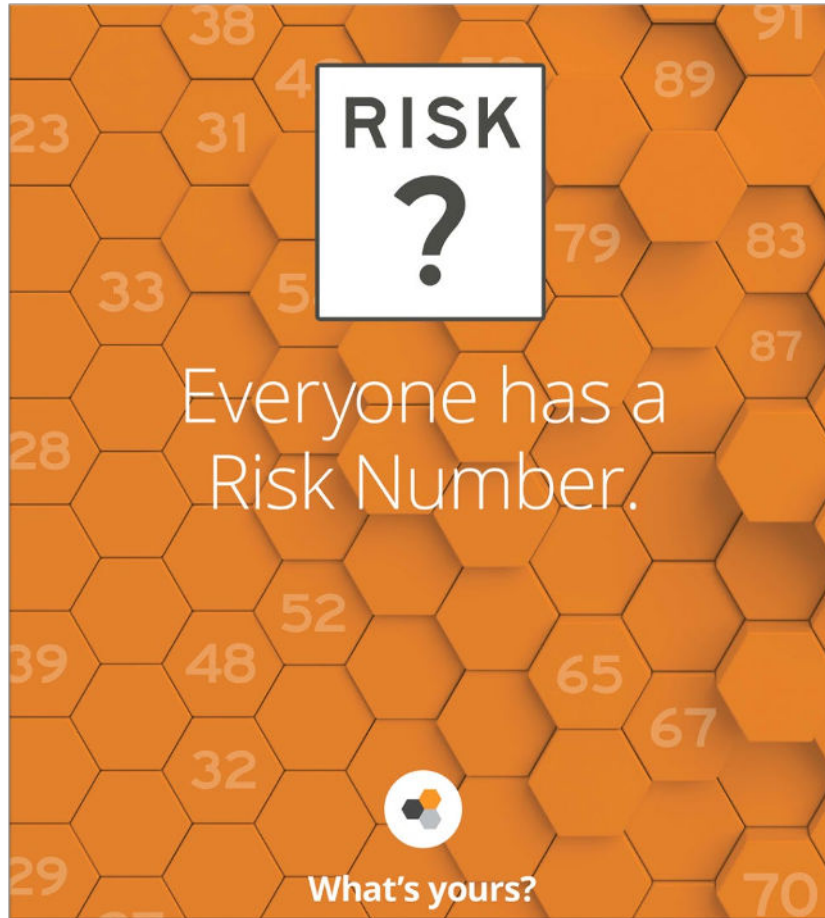
Earlier bear mkts create
 larger retirement shortfalls



Mitigating Sequence of Returns Risk

Returns of the Market  Exposure to the Market





RISK ?

Everyone has a Risk Number.

What's yours?





How Much Risk Do You Want?

We'll take a quantitative approach to pinpointing your Risk Number by going through a series of objective exercises based on actual dollar amounts.

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We can chart a path to retirement using a simple, intuitive approach. We'll visualize the probability of a successful retirement and adjust in realtime.

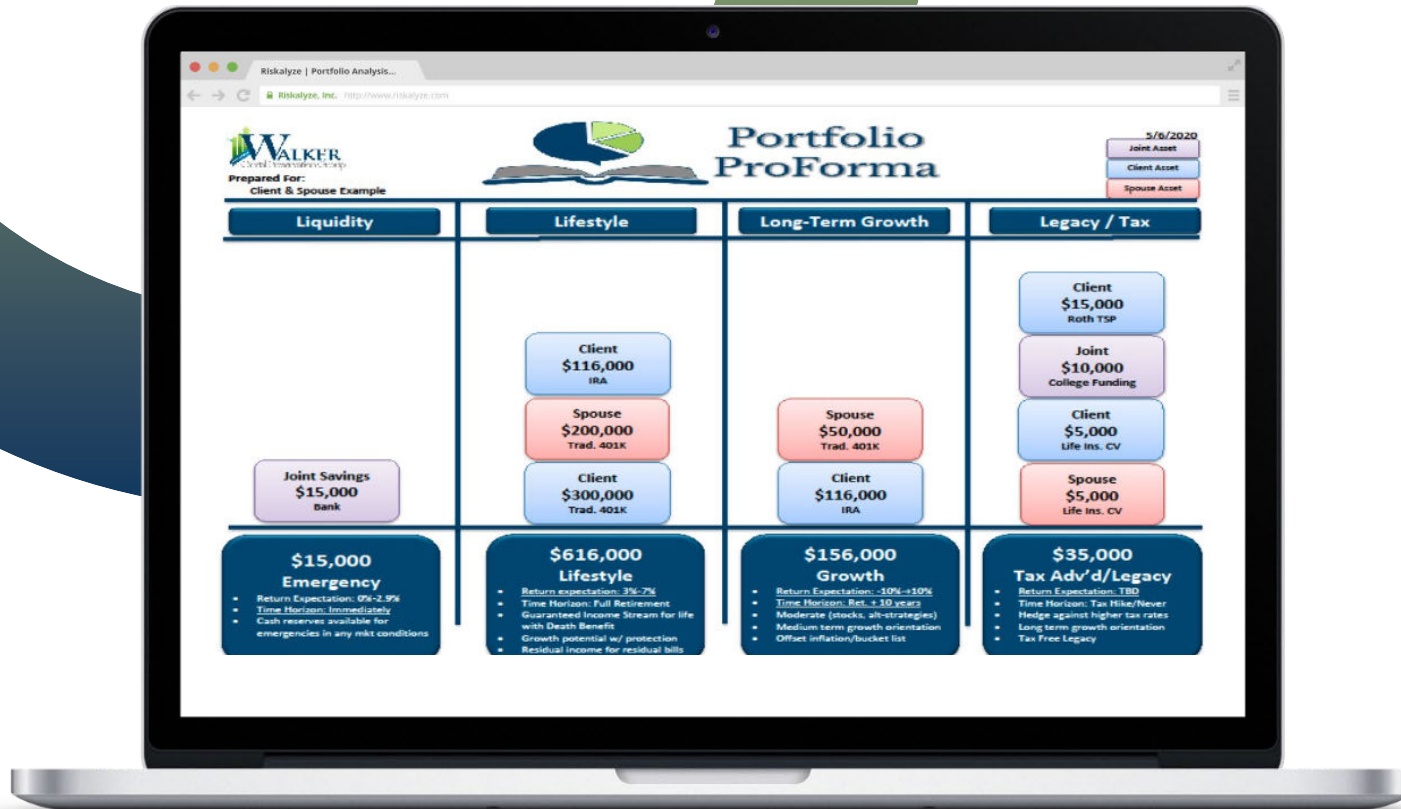
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Where Does Risk Belong in Your Profile?

Using a snapshot of your current portfolio and implementing the chronology often associated with the “Bucket System” we can gauge risk in relation to timeline.

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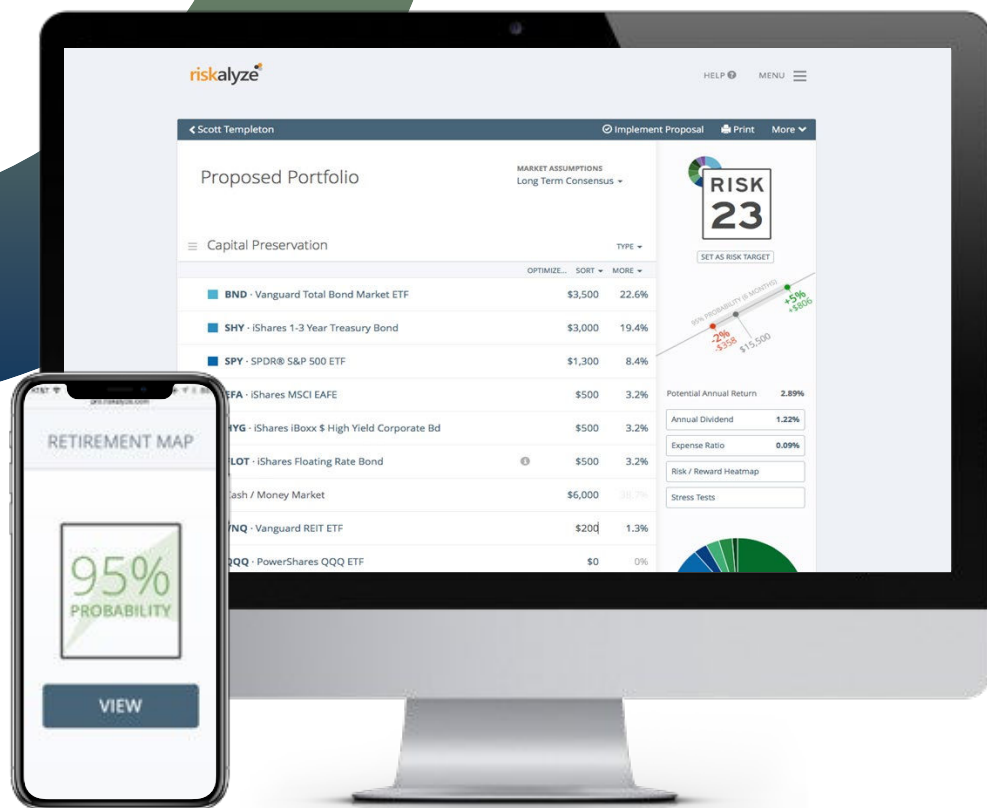
How Much Risk Do You Have?

If you've already got an investment portfolio, we can quickly import it and see if your Risk Number aligns with your current amount of Risk.

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How Much Risk Do You Have?



We'll use all these factors to build an optimized portfolio that fits your risk tolerance and goals. We can then stress test your new portfolio, discuss your 95% probability range, and set expectations for the future!

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How Much Will You Leave as a Legacy?

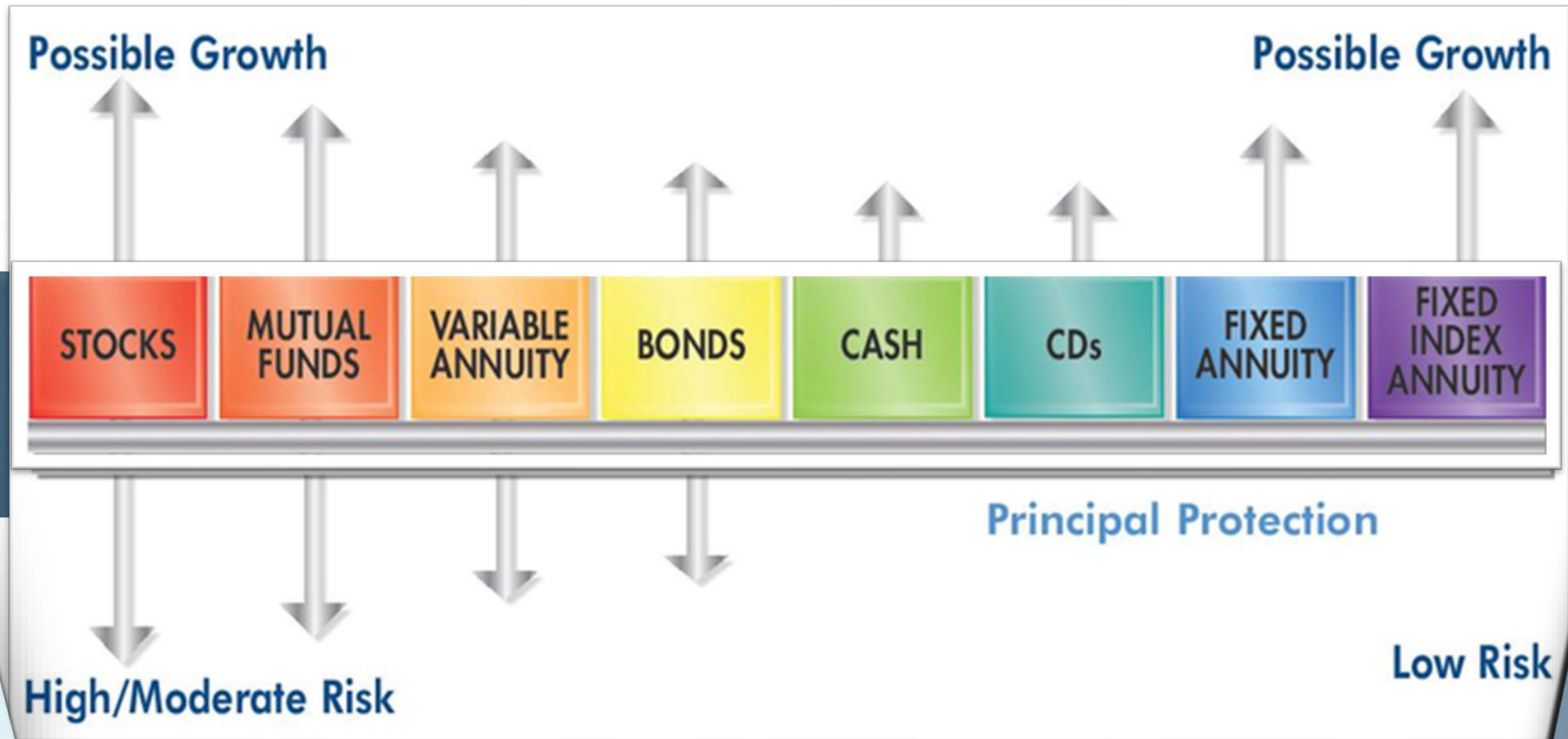
After accurately gauging your spending, forecasting conservatively, stress testing appropriately, and proactively planning... the

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WHAT GOES IN AN IRA or ROTH IRA?

Balance risk & reward of different options
Based on the Chronology of Distributions



FEDucated Food for Thought



Understand Your Retirement Timeline

Are you in the Accumulation Phase, the Pretirement Preservation Phase, or the Distribution Phase of your life?



Understand TSP Strengths & Constraints

What are the highlights of the TSP? How do those change when there is no matching contribution in retirement? What leads retirees to consider transferring to an IRA?



Strategically Plant Seeds in TSP

Are you going to pay taxes now or later? Are you Dollar-Cost Averaging into a volatile market? Does your timeline justify a lot of risk or need to emphasize protection?



Tactically Position Your Savings Harvest

Have you defused the Tax-Deferred Timebomb in your Traditional TSP? How much risk are you taking vs how much risk your retirement requires?



Updated to reflect the TSP Modernization
the record-shattering Federal Budget Deficit

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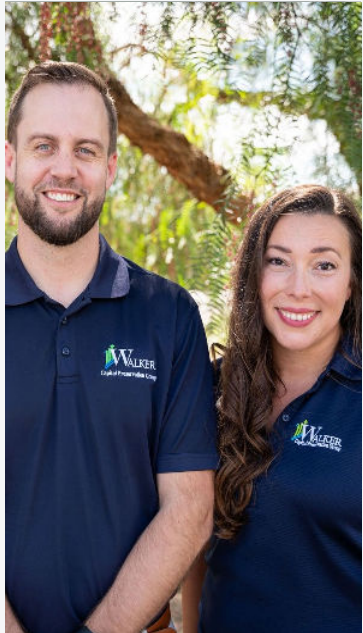
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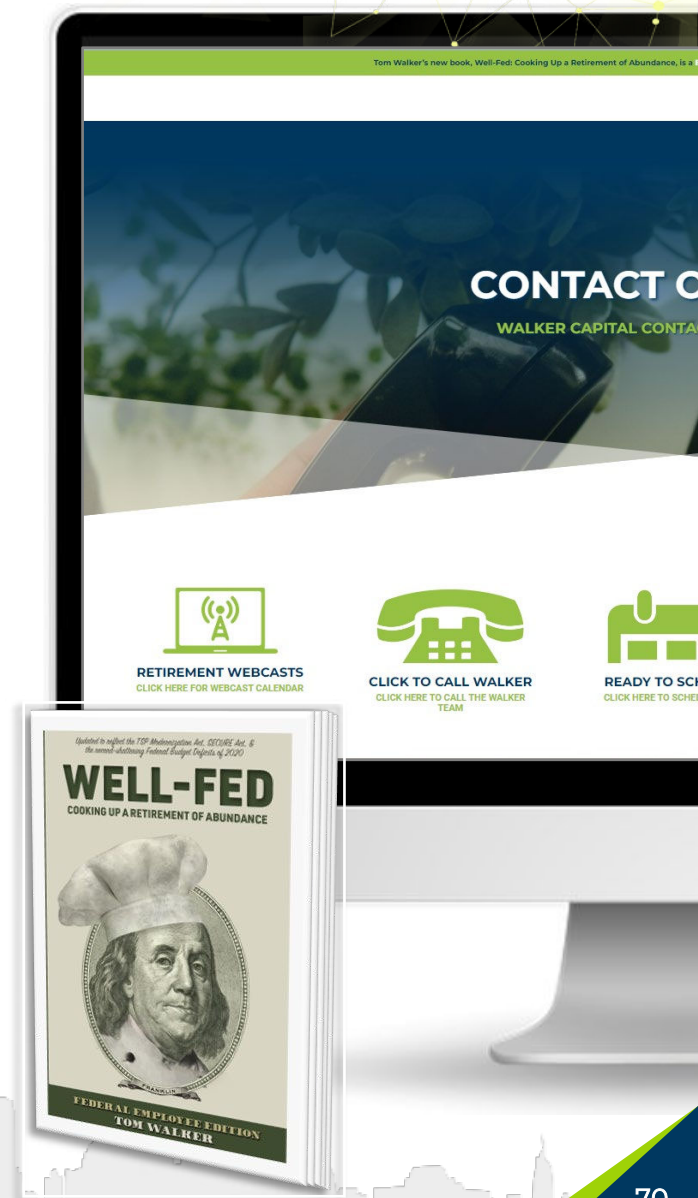
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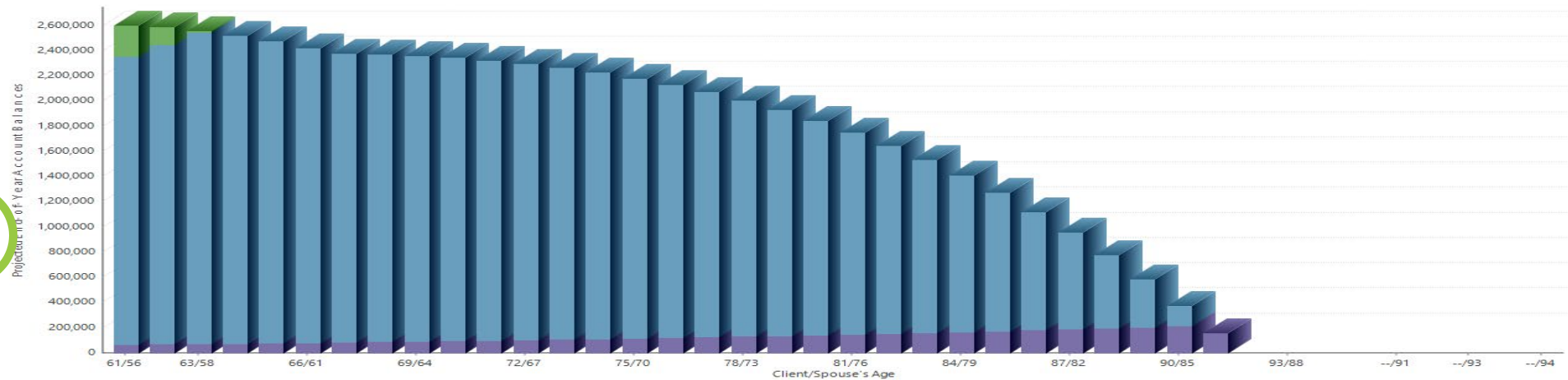
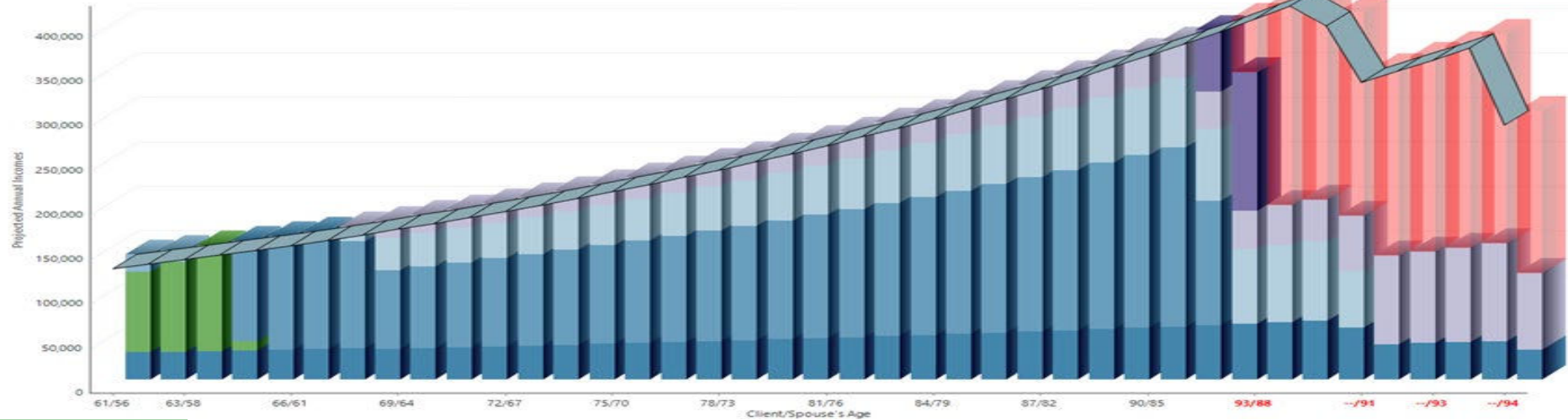
WHAT IF SOCIAL SECURITY TRUST FUND INSOLVENCY REDUCES SS BENEFITS IN 2035 AS PROJECTED?

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Social Security Trust Solvency Issues = 2035
SS Benefit Reduction in 2036+ shown at 21%

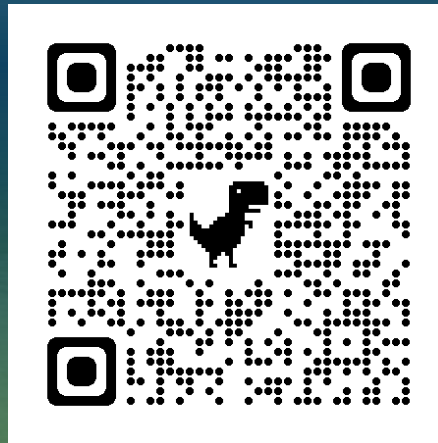
What if the **Social Security Trust** ran out in 2035 & could only pay 79% as SSA has projected?



THE END!

The TSP 360: A Well-
Rounded Look at the
TSP

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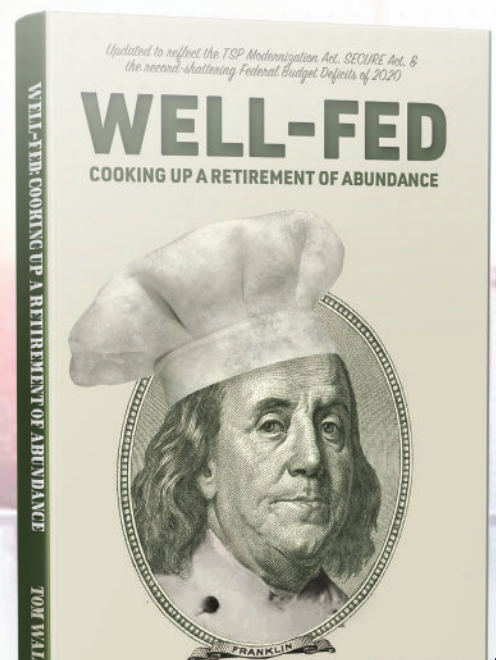
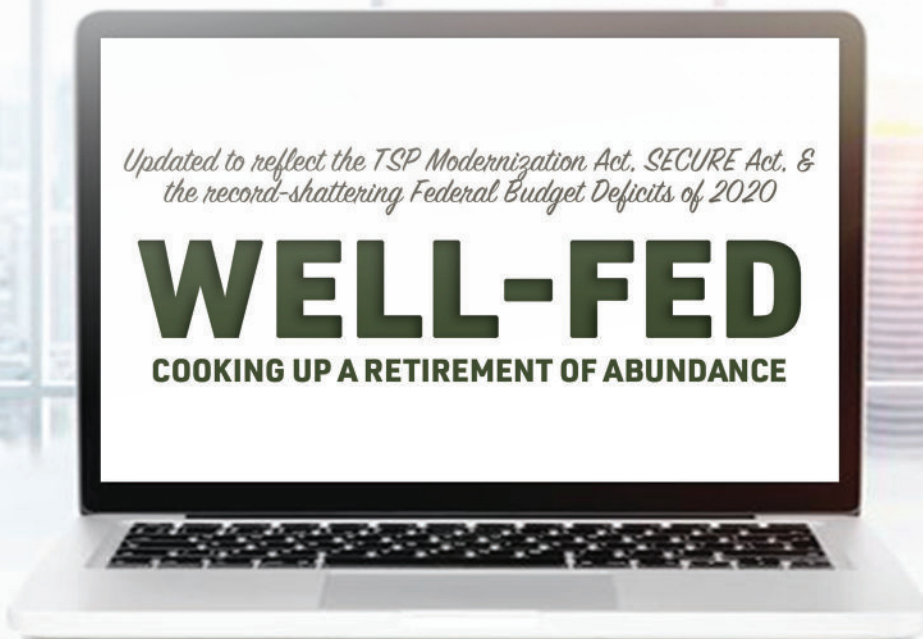
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