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# Are you talking about estate planning with clients?

If not, you should be!

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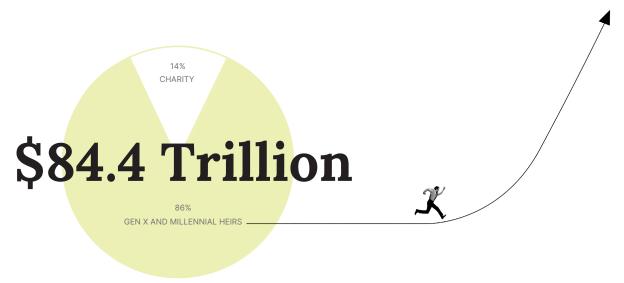


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## Great Wealth Transfer

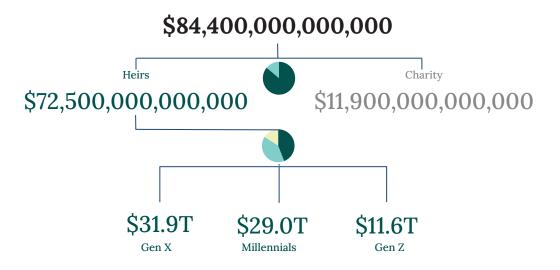


86% going to Gen X and millennial heirs and 14% to charity

\*Cerulli U.S. High-Net-Worth and Ultra-High-Net-Worth Markets 2021



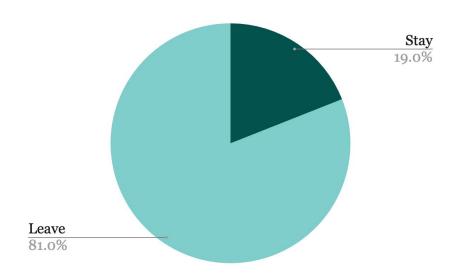
## Great Wealth Transfer



95 million adults expecting an inheritance (95M+) with avg. value of **\$738,724.23** 

(source: New York Life

### Only 19% of Clients Work With Their Parents' Advisor



Cerulli's research
[further] found that 92%
of affluent investors
who use their own
advisor did not
consider their parents'
advisor in their
selection process.



## SUNSET OF TCJA

Pre-Sunset	
2024 Federal Gift/Estate Tax Exemption Threshold (Portable)	\$27,220,000
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Remaining Federal Gift/Estate Tax Exemption (Portable)	\$24,220,000
Total Taxable Estate	\$29,000,000
Taxable Estate in Excess of Gift/Estate Tax Threshold	(\$4,780,000)
Maximum Federal Gift/Estate Tax Rate	× 40%

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2011	2017	2018	TODAY	2026 PROJ.
\$5.00M	\$5.49M	\$11.18M	\$13.61M	\$7.00M

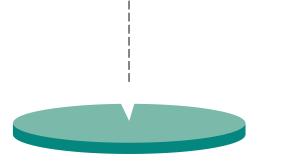
Potential Estate Tax Liability



(\$7,200,000)

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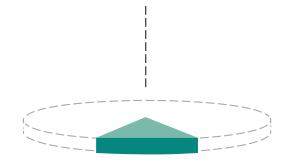
Nearly **all clients expect** to receive estate planning assistance from their advisor



# 22%

Less than 1/4 report having received it\*

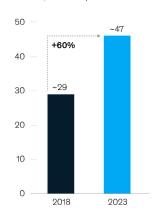
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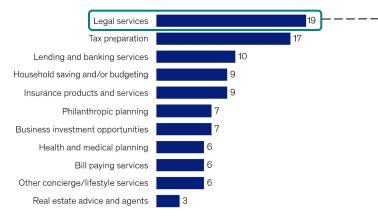
# As their quarterback, you are uniquely positioned to deliver on your clients' demand for holistic services

### Client preference for holistic advice continues to increase, rising about 60 percent since 2018.

Respondents who prefer holistic advice. 1% of respondents



What services would you or do you find most valuable if provided by your wealth institution?, % of respondents



"Advisors are adding nonfinancial products and services such as trust administration, tax preparation, estate planning, and lifestyle management services to their platforms."

McKinsey & Company January 17, 2024

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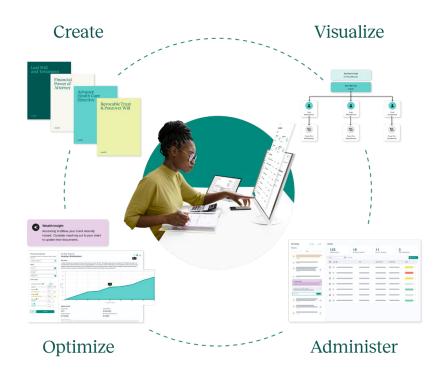


Percent of respondents who indicate that they "prefer to work with an investment professional who can holistically answer my financial needs across investments, life insurance, banking, and taxes."
Source: 2023 McKinsey Affluent and High-Net-Worth Consumer Insights Survey (n = ~7,000)

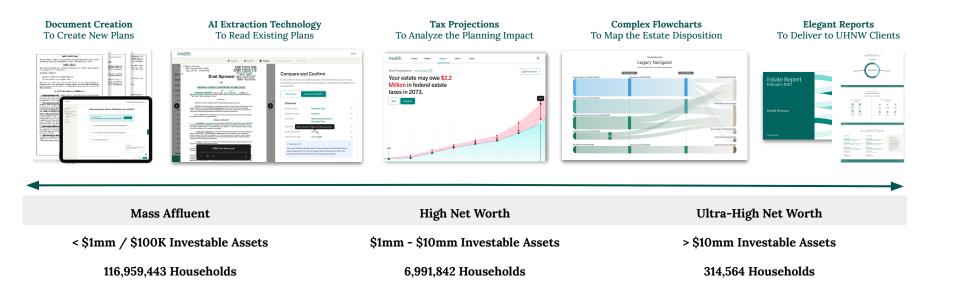
## The Platform

Wealth.com combines best-in-class technology, AI and human expertise to elevate the estate planning experience.

The ecosystem facilitates the creation, visualization, optimization, and ultimate administration of estate plans.



## Estate Solutions Across the Wealth Spectrum

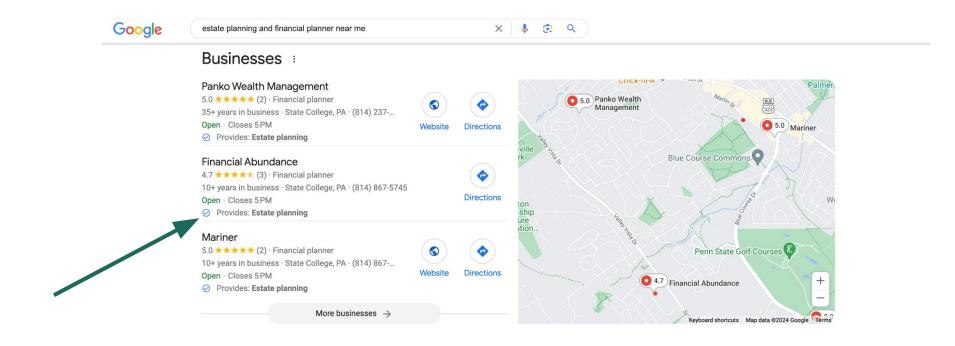


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# Wealth.com quick demo

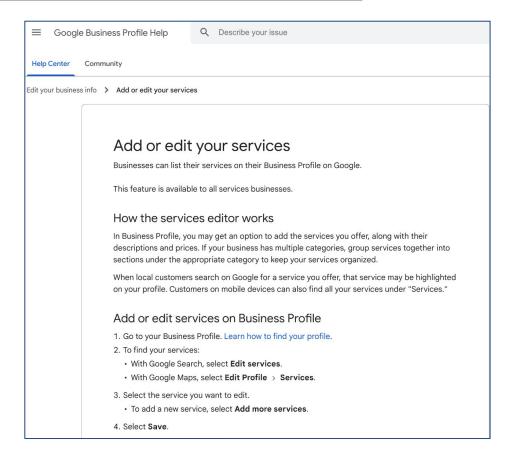
# Marketing Your Estate Planning Services

# First: Make sure you list estate planning in your "Google Business" Profile





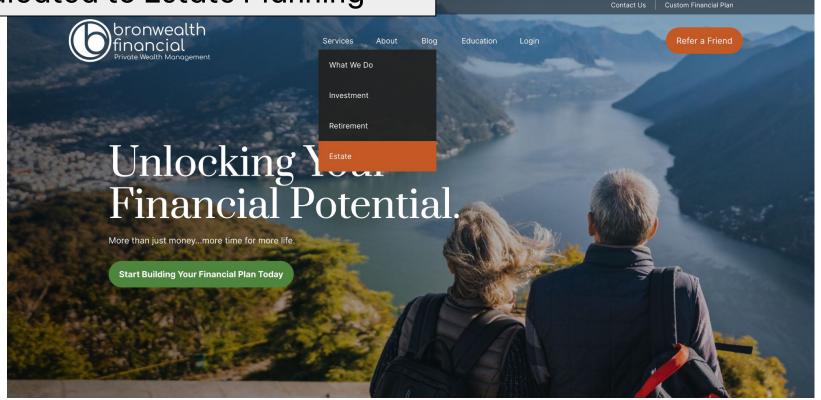
### Here's How To Update on Google





# Marketing Your Estate Planning Services: Website

# Include a sub-page on your site dedicated to Estate Planning



# Use everyday language to explain what estate planning REALLY means





# Tell Stories that people can relate to



**ESTATE • READ TIME: 6 MIN** 

### Estate Strategies of the Rich and Famous

How the Queen of Soul, the Lizard King, and Other Celebrities Determined Their Legacies

Famous people are all too human. Tabloid newspapers and celebrity magazines and websites make bank chronicling their every moment, from going out for a coffee to attending glamorous premieres and glitzy concerts. And, yes, whenever they make a mistake, those same outlets bring it to your phones and tablets in real time.

Sometimes these "oops" moments follow our celebrities long after they've taken their final bows, as their heirs and other interested parties battle over their estates. You might think that these stars, with their giant entourages, must have trusted financial professionals in their lives, assisting them in creating estate strategies—but in many cases, you would be wrong. Whether it's because they have misconceptions about estate strategy or because they passed unexpectedly, these celebs have seen their legacies turn into games of tug-of-war.

The Queen of Soul, Aretha Franklin, was one of the biggest recording artists in American history and a best-selling artist globally. From her early days singing gospel in her father's Detroit church, Aretha found success with singles like "(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman," "Chain of Fools," and "Think." With 112 singles on the Billboard charts, Franklin had #1 hits in the 1960s, 70s, 80s, 90s, and, finally, 2014. In the world of popular music, her legacy is assured.

Less assured, though, were the many financial rewards Aretha reaped from her legendary career. After her death in 2018, multiple documents were found among her effects and papers, leading to a four-year legal dispute over the Queen of Soul's estate. The trial proved emotional and dramatic for family members, with even voicemails from Aretha, a literal voice from beyond, used to determine the fate of not only her fortune but also her intellectual property (songs, recordings, and more). Ultimately, the court decided that four pages handwritten by Aretha and discovered in her couch represented her actual final will. <sup>1,2</sup>

While your estate strategy can change over time, it's important to formalize your changes as soon as possible. Accidents will have might have done Aretha's family more good in the hands of a professional than tucked away in a piece of furniture, It might have





Create an "Estate Planning Resource Center" on Your Website

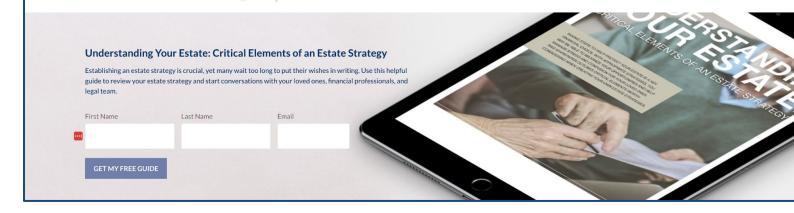


What Is My Current Net Worth? Calculator Capture Leads with Content that speaks to Estate Planning Concerns



### WILL YOUR VALUES, GOALS, AND DESIRES FOR YOUR ESTATE BE UPHELD?

By documenting your wishes and goals, you create a legal framework that the courts, your executor, and your loved ones can follow when settling your estate.



# Add Testimonials that speak to how you help with estate planning and management

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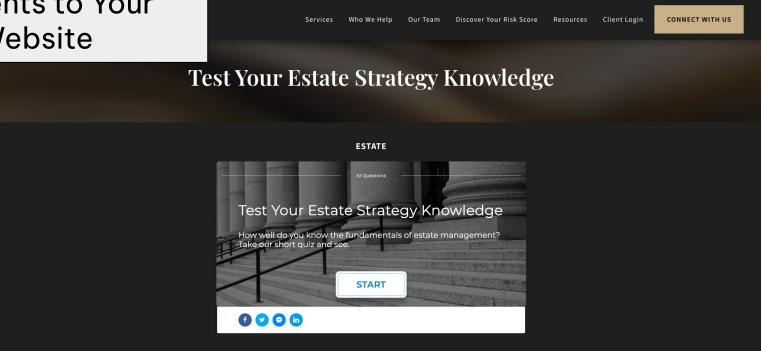
"Larry Zuckerman, recommended by my accountant in 2021, provided exceptional wealth management services. Despite initial health concerns and estate settlement issues, Larry diligently organized our assets and guided us through retirement, estate matters, and property transactions. His commitment, competence, and caring approach instilled trust, surpassing even my other advisors. With regular communication and detailed projections via Zoom, he empowered us to make informed financial decisions. Larry's role as our family's CFO, while we act as CEOs, accurately captures the depth of his responsibility and dedication to our financial well-being."

-Carol and Gilbert, Retired Health Educator





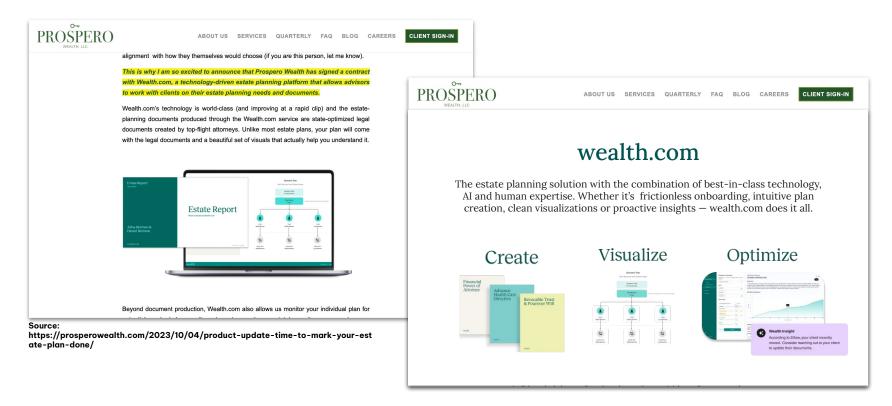
### Add Interactive Elements to Your Website





### **USE WEALTH.COM?**

## Showcase the power!



# Marketing Your Estate Planning Services: Email

# Include estate planning topics in your emails

Hi {Firstname},

An estate strategy is about much more than just who will get your money or who will get your possessions. It's also about creating an approach for your assets when you can no longer guide the process.

But we also wanted to share with you some common mistakes we've seen and what to keep in mind when you move forward with your strategy:

- Consider whether designating assets as Payable on Death (POD) or Transfer on Death (TOD) is good enough. You may want to explore setting up assets as POD or TOD. While these designations can help, there are more powerful estate documents that may offer more flexibility.
- It's not just for after you die: An estate strategy is also about managing your affairs while you're still alive. For example, a financial and healthcare power of attorney can be established to help manage your affairs if you become incapacitated.
- You don't need one when you're young: Avoiding making an
  estate strategy because you're young and healthy is a common
  mistake. At any age, you could find yourself in a medical emergency
  that requires medical and financial decisions to be made on your
  behalf
- 4. Avoiding the tough conversations and decisions: You will have to make tough decisions that you'd probably rather avoid, like deciding who should raise your children. But that's exactly why you should create one, so you can have those conversations with your family now while you still can. As hard as it is to think about your death, it's better to have a strategy to help guide your loved ones.



### Coming your way!

Hi {Firstname},

There's a ticking clock that you should take advantage of. It was part of the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA), and right now, it may be one of the most important levers you can pull.

The TCJA doubled the lifetime estate, gift, and generation-skipping transfer tax. In 2024, the exemption amount is \$13.61 million for individuals and \$27.22 million for married couples at the federal level. Unless Congress changes this law, the exemption will revert back to its 2017 level, adjusted for inflation. The TCJA exemption amounts can be captured only through use for taxable gifts (or transfers at death) before December 31, 2025.

According to Forbes, as we're in the advent of the Great Wealth Transfer — with more than \$84 trillion expected to pass to younger generations in the coming decades — the clock is ticking to develop a strategy that can incorporate the TCJA's features.

So, how can you take advantage of the law now? Here are two ideas that you might consider:

- Spousal Lifetime Access Trusts (SLATs): A SLAT is an irrevocable trust you can create for your spouse, through which you can gift all or a portion of your estate tax lifetime exemption. Your spouse will have access to these assets during their lifetime since they will be the beneficiary. This grants you the benefit of removing assets from your taxable estate by using up your federal estate tax exemption amount. If you do this in 2024, you can fund the trust up to \$13.61 million. Waiting until 2026 may lower the allowable contribution. Spouses can also consider setting up dual SLATs, which are designed to benefit each other.
- Dynasty Trusts: These irrevocable trusts can be structured to last for as long as the trust creator has living descendants and can be designed to utilize the trust creator's gift and generation-skipping

Hi {Firstname},

Legacy is a significant aspect of any financial strategy. It's important to consider what happens to everything you've accumulated—and may continue to accumulate—throughout your lifetime. But far too often, we've seen this as something overlooked. Even as recently as 2023, barely one-third of Americans had wills.

Often, the lack of an estate strategy (even a will) is for a seemingly valid reason: People don't know how to get started. Or they believe it's a complicated process. Or they don't think they have enough assets to need one

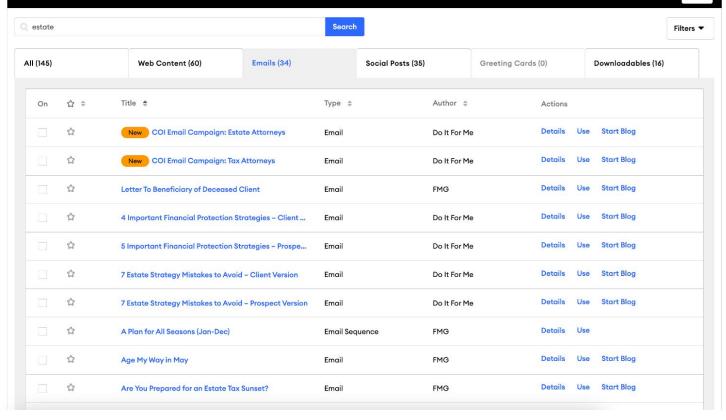
But creating an estate strategy is about more than just knowing what will happen with your stuff. It can help...

- · Manage complexities associated with your estate.
- Provide a backup decision-maker in case you become incapacitated.
- · Define who you want your beneficiaries to be.
- · Define family members you don't want to be beneficiaries.
- Have an approach to what happens to any pets you have.
- · Help manage family infighting after you're gone.
- · Guide your beneficiaries, and create a structure for your children.
- Put an outline in place for any scenario where you're unable to make decisions.

Whether you're newly married, starting a family, or nearing retirement, an estate strategy is likely something on your mind. But even if you're early on in your career and haven't hit any of these milestones, considering an

### Estate Planning Email Ideas from FMG







# Marketing Your Estate Planning

# Services: Social

# Talk about estate planning concerns in your social posts

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### Did you know?

Only 46% of American adults have a will in place. While probate takes an average of about nine months to complete, it can take much longer without a will. Keep yours up to date and talk to your financial professional about strategies that might help manage the probate process.

Sources:

Gallup.com, June 23, 2021 | Investopedia.com, April 18, 2021

This post is not a replacement for real-life advice, so make sure to consult your legal or tax professional before modifying your estate strategy.



A GOOD STRATEGY BEGINS WITH A GOOD CONVERSATION. Call or email me today.



#### Reactions







Source: Jacob Impellicceiri on Linkedin. Content from FMG Library

### Use Simple, Natural Language



### **Judge Laurel Beatty Blunt**

December 28, 2021 · 🕙

"There's nothing fun about stuff like estate planning, getting mammograms, or talking to a guy about long term disability insurance, but do it anyway. Trust me, the stress of not having done the above is prematurely aging." Jen Lancaster

What is estate planning and why do you need it? An estate plan is simply your directions on what should happen to your belongings if you get sick or die. You do not have to be rich to do an estate plan. And contrary to the "I don't need this because I'm young" crowd, you do not have to be old to need this. If you own anything at all and have an interest in what happens to it, you need an estate plan.

What property is covered? Anything you own: house, car, clothes, bank accounts, retirement accounts, interest in a business and anything else you own. Do you want money donated to a charity when you die? Do you want a particular relative to get a piece of jewelry? Do you want the money left in your bank account to be divided a certain way? None of that will happen if you don't write it down.

Source:



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# Marketing Your Estate Planning Services: Partner with COIs

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#### Do It For Me Calendar | April 2024

Check out the content recommendations.

The default is to send emails to ALL contacts and social platforms that are connected. If you want to select a more targeted group, let us know in your email reply.

Let us know if you've added any new clients this month so we can be sure to send them the New Client Welcome Series and add them to your ongoing campaigns.

#### Key Email (E) Social media (s)

Blog (B)

FMG automation

## FMG's "Do It For Me" **Marketing Program**

#### WEDNESDAY SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY **THURSDAY** B: Give Your Children the E: Empower Your Children Gift of Financial Literacy with Financial Literacy S: April Is National Financial **Literacy Month** S: National Siblings Day 15 Tax Day S: Tax Day: April 15, 2024 Video of the Month E: TCJA - Impact on Estate B: Create a Strategy to and Gift Strategies **Protect Your Wealth with** Potential Estate Tax S: National Healthcare Decisions Day: April 16 22 23 24 25 S: Motto for April

Blogs

- · April 2: Give Your Children the Gift of Financial Literacy April 16: Create a Strategy to Protect Your Wealth with
- Potential Estate Tax Changes Looming

FRIDAY Monthly Market Insights

S: Financial Friday: Tips for

**Teaching Children & Teens** 

Emails |

- April 3: Empower Your Children with Financial Literacy Skills - COI Version
- April 17: TCJA Impact on Estate and Gift Strategies -Clients and Prospects
- April 17: TCJA Impact On Estate And Gift Strategies -COI Version

#### Social Posts

- April 2024 DIFM Educational Social Sequence
  - o April 2: April Is National Financial Literacy Month
  - o April 10: National Siblings Day
  - April 15: Tax Day: April 15, 2024
  - o April 16: National Healthcare Decisions Day: April
  - o April 23: Motto for April HOPE Have Only Positive Expectations
- April 2024 DIFM Financial Friday Tips Social Sequence
  - o April 5: Financial Friday: Tips for Teaching
  - Children & Teens About Finances
  - o April 12: Financial Friday: Social Security Month o April 19: Financial Friday: TCJA and The Impact
  - on Estate & Gift Strategies
  - o April 26: Financial Friday: Preparing for Homebuying Season

#### FMG Automation

- Monthly Market Insights Social Post and Email: Around the 7th of Each Month
- · Video of the Month Email Only: Third Week of

#### Additional Content Options - these can be used in addition to or swap out with other social posts

#### Social Posts April 1: April Fools' Day

- April 2: World Autism Awareness Day
- April 7: World Health Day April 8: National Library Week
- April 22: Earth Day
- April 22: Passover
- April 24: Administrative Professionals Day
- April 26: Celebrate Arbor Day: April 26, 2024
- · 4 optional timely social posts (social assists) per week

#### Optional Email

April 29: DIFM Prospect Email re: Customer Experience

#### **Every Month Add New Clients To:**

- New Client Welcome Series
- Center of Influence Campaigns
- Monthly Market Insights
- Birthday

#### Don't Forget About...:

Prospect Email Sequence

View Complete List of All DIFM Blogs Here View Complete List of Niche/Special Content Here

#### Marketing Tip:

· Surprise and delight the tax professionals and CPAs in your network. It's their busiest time of the year and dropping off or sending a food basket would be sure to make an impact. Or try Goldbelly to ship delicious food from anywhere in the country! It's an opportunity to show you're thinking about them that will likely pay dividends down the line!

All content and timelines are subject to your Broker/ Dealer compliance and approval.

Willing to give a testimonial about DIFM? We would love that! Please click here for more information.



# Advisors Love Our "Do It For Me" Program

We got a client because of you guys. They were reading the emails you sent out, they made an appointment, and we are working together - a million dollar client. Just keep doing what you're doing. I'm not on the FMG calls so I don't know what it is, but it's definitely working. ~ *Henry H., March* 2024

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