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ERSONAL ISSUES	YES	NO	CASH FLOW ISSUES (CONTINUED)
Oo you need to assess the progress you made toward your goals last year? If so, consider the following:			If you are married and your spouse does not have earned income, explore spousal IRA options.
 Review and compare your financial models, comparing a snapshot of where you are today to last year and/or a prior time. Inventory your recent accomplishments to identify what strategies worked well. 			Do you need to confirm that you are adequately saving toward your goals? If so, review your target savings and funding rates. If you fully fund some goals early in the year, continue saving toward other goals.
Have you identified new goals for this year or the future? f so, assign a priority and time horizon, and incorporate them into your overall plan.			Do you have funds left in your FSA from last year? If so, consider spending such funds before the expiration of any grace period.
Are there any life events that are likely to occur for yourself or your immediate family this year (e.g., move, marriage, birth, higher education, job change, retirement, illness, death)?			 Are you subject to taking RMDs (inherited IRA or age 72 or older)? If so, consider the following: ■ If you are charitably inclined and age 70½ or older, you can do a QCD to satisfy your RMD. Note the "first dollars out" rule.
Do you need to confirm whether you or any family members will reach a milestone age this year? If so, reference the 'Important Milestones' guide.			Time the satisfaction of your RMD to support your goals, and be sure to review your withholdings.
Are you concerned about any variables or circumstances that could potentially impact your plans for this year?			Do you make annual gifts? If so, make a plan to fund strategically, and track the use of your annual exclusion amount for noncharitable gifts.
CASH FLOW ISSUES	YES	NO	ASSET & DEBT ISSUES
Do you expect your household income and/or expenses to			Do you need to adjust or replenish your emergency fund?
change materially this year? Oo you need to review your cash flow plan? If so, evaluate your			Are you planning to buy or sell business, personal, or real property this year?
actual income and expenses, and adjust your spending plan as	-		> Do you need to review your investment risk tolerance?
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necessary. Do you need to review your employee benefits to ensure that			Do you need to review the performance of your investment accounts?
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ASSET & DEBT ISSUES (CONTINUED)	YES	NO	INSURANCE ISS
Do you need to review your asset location across the accounts in your portfolio? If so, consider holding tax-efficient investments in taxable accounts, and tax-inefficient investments in tax-preferred accounts.			Do you expect medical treatn insurance cover
If you have a mortgage, should you explore refinancing?			Do you need to
Are there debts that you would like to eliminate this year? If so, strategically target debts with the least favorable terms first.			Do you need n
Are you a co-signer/guarantor on any loans/agreements? If so, check in with the other interested parties to confirm the terms, payment history, current status, etc.			Have you mad acquired new insurance (hom adding riders as
Will you potentially need to borrow funds this year?			adding riders a.
Do you need to review your credit report/score?			LEGAL ISSUES
Do you need to freeze your credit?			LEGAL 1330ES
			Do you need to
TAX ISSUES	YES	NO	Do you need to
Do you need to collect tax forms and organize other documents in preparation for filing income tax returns for last year? If so, use last year's filings and/or a tax organizer to begin to gather all information necessary for filing Form 1040 and any state returns.			Are you, or wil following: Review your of upholding ap If you are an I
Did you make taxable gifts, or do you want to split gifts for last year? If so, collect documentation necessary for filing Form 709.			whether a dis be prudent.
Would Roth conversions be beneficial this year?			Have any new financial plan?
Did you fail to make an IRA contribution for the prior tax year, but would you like to do so? If so, you have until Tax Day			tax situation, es steps might be
(excluding extensions) this year to make a contribution for last year.			Are you subject
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Do you own investments in taxable accounts that are likely to make capital gains or income distributions (e.g., certain mutual			
•			If you own a both this year?

create a harvesting strategy?

INSURANCE ISSUES	YE	s	NO
Do you expect any changes with regard to your health or medical treatments? If so, consider reviewing your health insurance coverage and alternate options.		ונ	
Do you need to review your life insurance coverage?]	
Do you need new or increased disability insurance coverage	? 🗆]	
ls it time to explore (or review existing) LTC insurance?]	
Have you made any improvements to your property or acquired new valuables? If so, consider reviewing your propert insurance (homeowners, renters, etc.), increasing coverage and/or adding riders as appropriate.		ו ו	
LEGAL ISSUES	YE	s	NO
 Do you need to review your estate plan? Do you need to review the titling/ownership of your assets? Are you, or will you be, serving as a fiduciary? If so, consider t following: Review your duties and your performance to ensure that you a upholding applicable standards. 	the		
If you are an Executor or Trustee of an irrevocable trust, consider whether a distribution and election under the 65-Day Rule wou be prudent.			
Have any new laws gone into effect that might impact your financial plan? If so, consider how your saving strategies, incom tax situation, estate plan, etc. might have been affected and wha steps might be necessary.		ן נ	
Are you subject to any new contracts/agreements, or did any such arrangements expire?	у 🗆]	
If you own a business, are there any changes on the horizon this year?]	
Are there any state-specific issues to consider?]	



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