## 2023 · WHAT ISSUES SHOULD I CONSIDER AT THE START OF THE YEAR?



_ ISSUES	YES	NO	CASH FLOW ISSUES (CONTINUED)	YE
need to assess the progress you made toward your ast year? If so, consider the following:			If you are married and your spouse does not have earned income, explore spousal IRA options.	
w and compare your financial models, comparing a shot of where you are today to last year and/or a prior time. tory your recent accomplishments to identify what gies worked well.			<b>Do you need to confirm that you are adequately saving toward your goals?</b> If so, review your target savings and funding rates. If you fully fund some goals early in the year, continue saving toward other goals.	
you identified new goals for this year or the future? ssign a priority and time horizon, and incorporate them into verall plan.			<b>Do you have funds left in your FSA from last year?</b> If so, consider spending such funds before the expiration of any grace period.	
nere any life events that are likely to occur for yourself or immediate family this year (e.g., move, marriage, birth, or education, job change, retirement, illness, death)?			<ul> <li>Are you subject to taking RMDs (including from inherited IRAs)? If so, consider the following:</li> <li>■ 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.</li> </ul>	
ou need to confirm whether you or any family members each a milestone age this year? If so, reference the ortant Milestones" guide.			■ Time the satisfaction of your RMD to support your goals, and be sure to review your withholdings.	
ou concerned about any variables or circumstances that l potentially impact your plans for this year?			<b>Do you make annual gifts?</b> If so, make a plan to fund strategically, and track the use of your annual exclusion amount for noncharitable gifts.	
FLOW ISSUES	YES	NO	ASSET & DEBT ISSUES	i
			Do you need to adjust or replenish your emergency fund?	
	1 1	l 1	> Are you planning to buy or sell business, personal, or real	
ge materially this year?			property this year?	
ge materially this year?  ou need to review your cash flow plan? If so, evaluate your lincome and expenses, and adjust your spending plan as				
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ou expect your household income and/or expenses to age materially this year?  ou need to review your cash flow plan? If so, evaluate your all income and expenses, and adjust your spending plan as assary.  ou need to review your employee benefits to ensure that are taking advantage of what your employer offers? If so, ider maxing out annual contributions to any retirement unts, Health Savings Account, Flexible Spending Account, or Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account.			property this year?  Do you need to review your investment risk tolerance?  Do you need to review the performance of your investment	

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ET & DEBT ISSUES (CONTINUED)	YES	NO	INSURANCE ISSUES	
you need to review your asset location across the accounts your portfolio? If so, consider holding tax-efficient investments axable accounts, and tax-inefficient investments in tax-preferred			Do you expect any changes with regard to your health or medical treatments? If so, consider reviewing your health insurance coverage and alternate options.	
you have a mortgage, should you explore refinancing? The there debts that you would like to eliminate this year? If so, rategically target debts with the least favorable terms first. The you a co-signer/guarantor on any loans/agreements? If so, seck in with the other interested parties to confirm the terms, anyment history, current status, etc.			Do you need to review your life insurance coverage?  Do you need new or increased disability insurance coverage?  Is 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 property insurance (homeowners, renters, etc.), increasing coverage and/or	
/ill you potentially need to borrow funds this year? o you need to review your credit report/score?			adding riders as appropriate.	
o you need to freeze your credit?			LEGAL ISSUES	
			Do you need to review your estate plan?	
XX ISSUES	YES	NO	Do you need to review the titling/ownership of your assets?	
pyou need to collect tax forms and organize other documents preparation for filing income tax returns for last year? If so, see last year's filings and/or a tax organizer to begin to gather all formation necessary for filing Form 1040 and any state returns.			<ul> <li>Are you, or will you be, serving as a fiduciary? If so, consider the following:</li> <li>■ Review your duties and your performance to ensure that you are upholding applicable standards.</li> <li>■ If you are an Executor or Trustee of an irrevocable trust, consider whether a distribution and election under the 65-Day Rule would</li> </ul>	
<b>lid you make taxable gifts, or do you want to split gifts for last ear?</b> If so, collect documentation necessary for filing Form 709.			be prudent.	
ould Roth conversions be beneficial this year?			Have any new laws gone into effect that might impact your financial plan? If so, consider how your saving strategies, income	
id you fail to make an IRA contribution for the prior tax year, ut would you like to do so? If so, you have until Tax Day excluding extensions) this year to make a contribution for last year.			tax situation, estate plan, etc. might have been affected and what steps might be necessary.	
o you own investments in taxable accounts that are likely to nake capital gains or income distributions (e.g., certain mutual unds and ETFs)? If so, consider your cost basis and whether it night be advantageous to sell in advance of such distributions.			<ul> <li>Are you subject to any new contracts/agreements, or did any such arrangements expire?</li> <li>If you own a business, are there any changes on the horizon this year?</li> </ul>	
Oo you need to review your unrealized gains and losses and create a harvesting strategy?			Are there any state-specific issues to consider?	



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