2024 · WHAT ISSUES SHOULD I CONSIDER AT THE START OF THE YEAR?



SSUES	YES	NO	CASH FLOW ISSUES (CONTINUED)	YE
ed to assess the progress you made toward your year? If so, consider the following:			If you are married and your spouse does not have earned income, explore spousal IRA options.	
nd compare your financial models, comparing a of where you are today to last year and/or a prior time. your recent accomplishments to identify what 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.	
u identified new goals for this year or the future? Ign a priority and time horizon, and incorporate them into rall 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.	
ere any life events that are likely to occur for yourself or mmediate family this year (e.g., move, marriage, birth, education, job change, retirement, illness, death)?			 Are you subject to taking RMDs (including from inherited IRAs)? 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. 	
u need to confirm whether you or any family members each a milestone age this year? If so, reference the rtant 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 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.	
FLOW ISSUES	YES	NO	ASSET & DEBT ISSUES	I
ou expect your household income and/or expenses to			Do you need to adjust or replenish your emergency fund?	T
and the second at the second a	1 ,		Are you planning to buy or sell business, personal, or real	ı
u need to review your cash flow plan? If so, evaluate your			property this year?	
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ge 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 ssary. ou need to review your employee benefits to ensure that are taking advantage of what your employer offers? If so			property this year?	
ou need to review your cash flow plan? If so, evaluate your lincome and expenses, and adjust your spending plan as sary.			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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YES NO

NO

ASSET & DEBT ISSUES (CONTINUED)	YES	NO	INSURANCE ISSUES
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			Do you expect any changes with regard to your heamedical treatments? If so, consider reviewing your he insurance coverage and alternate options.
accounts. If you have a mortgage, should you explore refinancing?			Do you need to review your life insurance coverage
> Are there debts that you would like to eliminate this year? If so,			Do you need new or increased disability insurance
strategically target debts with the least favorable terms first.		╵	Is it time to explore (or review existing) LTC insurar
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 made any improvements to your proper acquired new valuables? If so, consider reviewing you insurance (homeowners, renters, etc.), increasing covadding riders as appropriate.
Will you potentially need to borrow funds this year?			and the special section of the special sectin
Do you need to review your credit report/score?			LEGAL ISSUES
Do you need to freeze your credit?			LEGAL 1330L3
			Do you need to review your estate plan?
TAX ISSUES	YES	NO	Do you need to review the titling/ownership of you
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. Did you make taxable gifts, or do you want to split gifts for last year? If so, collect documentation necessary for filing Form 709.			 Are you, or will you be, serving as a fiduciary? If so, of following: Review your duties and your performance to ensure to upholding applicable standards. If you are an Executor or Trustee of an irrevocable truwhether a distribution and election under the 65-Day be prudent.
> Would Roth conversions be beneficial this year?			Have any new laws gone into effect that might imp
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 (excluding extensions) this year to make a contribution for last year.			financial plan? If so, consider how your saving strate tax situation, estate plan, etc. might have been affected steps might be necessary. Are you subject to any new contracts/agreements such arrangements expire? If you own a business, are there any changes on the this year?
Do you own investments in taxable accounts that are likely to make capital gains or income distributions (e.g., certain mutual funds and ETFs)? If so, consider your cost basis and whether it might be advantageous to sell in advance of such distributions.			
Do you need to review your unrealized gains and losses and			Are there any state-specific issues to consider?