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360° Retirement Planning Goals Planning System | GPS

Most of us have numerous goals, but none as important as securing a comfortable retirement. You likely have various retirement-oriented accounts — an IRA or 401(k). These are helpful but they also put the burden on you to make the right investment choices. Plus, how do you juggle planning for retirement along with other shorter-term goals?

That's where your Financial Advisor and the Morgan Stanley Goals Planning System (GPS) can help.



The Goals Planning System (GPS) is an innovative platform that leverages Morgan Stanley's intellectual capital and sophisticated institutional capabilities to help clients reach their goals.

Market volatility is not your only risk to achieving your goals

Challenges you face when making decisions about your retirement savings go far beyond how to accumulate assets during your working years. That's why Morgan Stanley Wealth Management's Global Investment Committee (GIC) embarked on an extensive study to identify the issues most critical to successful retirement strategizing. The results of this study provide a new framework to guide your Financial Advisor when structuring your retirement planning efforts, and to help you adjust as necessary through life's stages. The GIC determined that an effective plan should recognize the risks faced by investors beyond market volatility, including:

- **Longevity:** The possibility that you will outlive your assets.
- Judgment: The possibility that you will retire too early, spend more than your investments can sustain or fail to withdraw less from your retirement funds when markets turn choppy.
- **Behavioral:** The possibility that you will sell holdings out of panic when

markets decline or, in some cases, chase gains out of exuberance when markets rise — in other words, the possibility that you will buy high and sell low.

Working with your Financial Advisor, you can

- Create specific strategies designed to reach your retirement goals.
- Address the challenge of a shortfall or the opportunity that a surplus provides.
- Develop an asset allocation that makes sense based on your life stage.

What's Different?

The GIC found that many retirement planning strategies entail nothing more than constructing a portfolio of assets based on an investor's risk tolerance and measuring its performance against a market benchmark. Such a narrow approach fails to consider other issues that can impact your ability to retire as anticipated, including:



Time horizon



Desire to leave a legacy to loved ones or a favorite charitable organization



Risk tolerance



Expected cash flow and additional liquidity needs during retirement

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Anticipated savings rate

GPS Process

DISCOVER

Start a conversation to uncover your goals and understand your entire financial picture

ADVISE

Work with you to assess various scenarios and advise you on the appropriate strategies designed to meet those goals

IMPLEMENT

Look across multiple accounts/ products to identify the combination to help meet spending needs and invest tax-efficiently

TRACK PROGRESS

Periodic review of your financial situation with the ability to make adjustments according to your needs, life events and changing market conditions

Life Stages

Objective

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Building Retirement

Investors at this stage of their lives should

strive to maximize their assets with a

specific target date in mind. To foster

growth while managing the risk of poor

performance as retirement approaches,

our Building Retirement model is based

on a "custom glide path" approach! Your

asset allocation becomes increasingly

conservative as you get closer to your

importance of capital preservation as you

Unlike many of the target date funds so

Target Date Model adjusts your allocation

retirement date. As a result, it is designed

bear market will damage your retirement

readiness. In addition, you can implement

prevalent in today's 401(k) plans, our

to prevailing market conditions while

taking into consideration your planned

to minimize the risk that a late-career

the model with the wide variety of

Morgan Stanley's open architecture

platform, rather than just the limited

selection of funds offered by a single

mutual fund company.

investment alternatives available from

target date, reflecting the increasing

approach retirement.

MID-CAREER AGE 18-50 Building Retirement

EARLY TO

eer o LATE CAREER AGE 50+

Securing Retirement IN RETIREMENT

Living Retirement

Securing Retirement

As retirement approaches, you become more vulnerable to adverse market conditions, which can generate losses from which you don't have the time to recover. To mitigate this risk, our Securing Retirement approach allocates your assets among not only traditional asset classes, but annuities with guaranteed income benefits. How your allocation is actually divided among these components is a function of such factors as your funding ratio, savings rate and need for income at retirement.

By adding annuities with guaranteed income benefits to your portfolio, you provide yourself with a set level of income for the rest of your life. As a result, you reduce the risk that poor judgment, declining markets or an above-average life expectancy will jeopardize your finances. In addition, the GIC research indicates that increased retirement income security enables some investors to employ a more aggressive approach with the remainder of their portfolio, thereby increasing their retirement income potential.

Living Retirement

Planning doesn't stop at retirement. Investors face a myriad of challenges that include:

- Unforeseen medical and other expenses requiring investors to liquidate portfolio positions.
- The possibility of outliving one's assets.
- Poor performance at a time when funds are being withdrawn to meet retirement expenses.
- The desire to leave a legacy to loved ones.

In addition, retirees are susceptible to panic selling when there is a downturn in the market, simply because they are no longer working and fearful that investment losses will lead to a decline in their standard of living. Our Target Liquidity Model is designed to help retirees meet these challenges by possibly adding annuities to their portfolio, developing a systematic withdrawal strategy and employing what we call a "Custom Time Segmented Bucketing" approach.

As the chart below illustrates, this strategy involves dividing your portfolio into separate pools of assets (buckets) that can be accessed sequentially to meet retirement expenses. For example, the funds you need during the first few years of retirement are segregated in their own bucket and invested more conservatively than funds in subsequent buckets. Allocations become increasingly aggressive with buckets designed for longer time horizons.

MOST CONSERVATIVE			MORE GROWTH-ORIENTED	
BUCKET 1	BUCKET 2	BUCKET 3	BUCKET 4	BUCKET 5
Immediate Spending	Years 7-15	Years 15-22	Years 22-30	Years 30+

Target Liquidity in Action

A Custom Time Segmented Bucketing approach to creating a retirement decumulation strategy segregates investor assets into different pools of money matched against a specific time horizon, where each pool is assigned an asset allocation deemed appropriate for its horizon. We employ a Custom Time Segmented Bucketing approach to create our Target Liquidity family of models.



It All Starts With You

Your Financial Advisor will work with you to help you identify your personal goals, help customize a plan to achieve your objectives, and report back with progress toward your goals.

If you sign up with Morgan Stanley Online, you will also be able to check in on your own, using your computer, tablet or mobile device.

Contact your Financial Advisor for more information.

Structuring a Well-Rounded Planning Approach

We believe that a successful retirement planning strategy must meet the following criteria:

- Your plan should be customized to reflect what you care about most.
 It should address both the goals you hope to achieve and the risk of outliving your assets.
- Your plan should address the shifting nature of issues and unknowns you face at different stages of your life.
 - Your plan should consider risks beyond market volatility—inflation, for example—that can make expenses more difficult to meet.
 - Your plan should seek to mitigate judgment and behavioral risks such as panic selling in difficult markets or overspending.
- Your plan should seek to minimize taxes and fees.

Your plan should evaluate the appropriateness of hedging products such as annuities or other strategies that can reduce the risk you won't have sufficient income at retirement.

Your plan should be responsive to changes both in your life and the financial markets.

¹A Custom Glidepath approach to creating a retirement strategy derives a series of asset allocations whose risk profile declines as investors age. These can be well-suited for solving a goals-based problem with a defined time horizon. We employ a Custom Glidepath Approach to create our Target Date family of models.

The Morgan Stanley Goals-Planning System (GPS) includes a brokerage investment analysis tool. While securities held in a client's investment advisory accounts may be included in the analysis, the reports generated from the GPS Platform are not financial plans nor constitute a financial planning service. A financial plan generally seeks to address a wide spectrum of a client's long-term financial needs, and can include recommendations about insurance, savings, tax and estate planning, and investments, taking into consideration the client's goals and situation, including anticipated retirement or other employee benefits. Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC ("Morgan Stanley") will only prepare a financial plan at a client's specific request using Morgan Stanley approved financial planning software.

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Withdrawal and distributions of taxable amounts from annuities are subject to ordinary income tax and, if made prior to age 59½, may be subject to an additional 10% federal income tax penalty. Early withdrawals will reduce the death benefit and cash surrender value of annuities.

If you are investing in an annuity through a tax-advantaged retirement plan such as an IRA, you will get no additional tax advantage from the annuity. Under these circumstances, you should only consider buying an annuity because of its other features such as lifetime income payments and death benefit protection.

Asset allocation and diversification do not assure a profit or protect against loss in declining financial markets.

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