



WELCOME TO SMALL BUSINESS SUCCESSION PLANNING "DEFINING YOUR LEGACY"

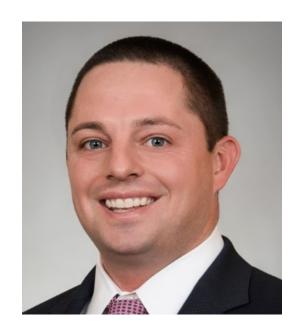
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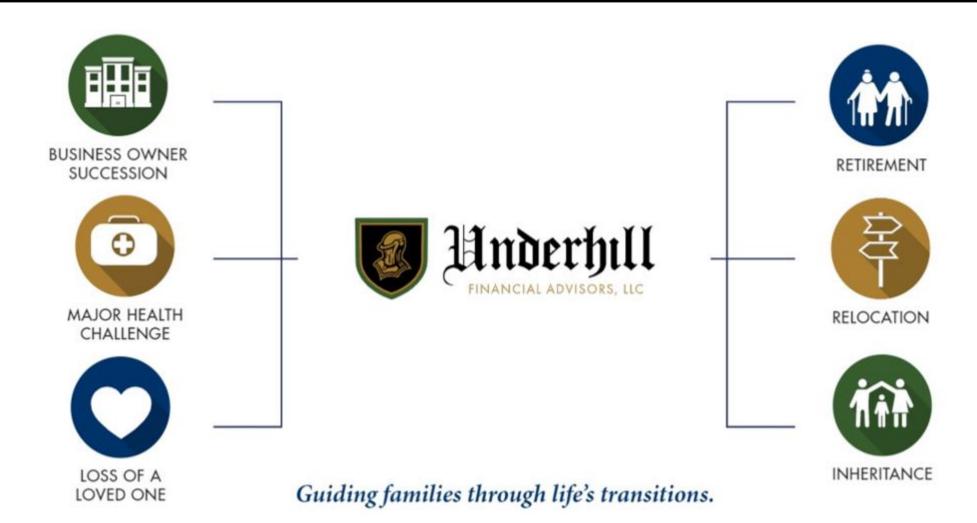


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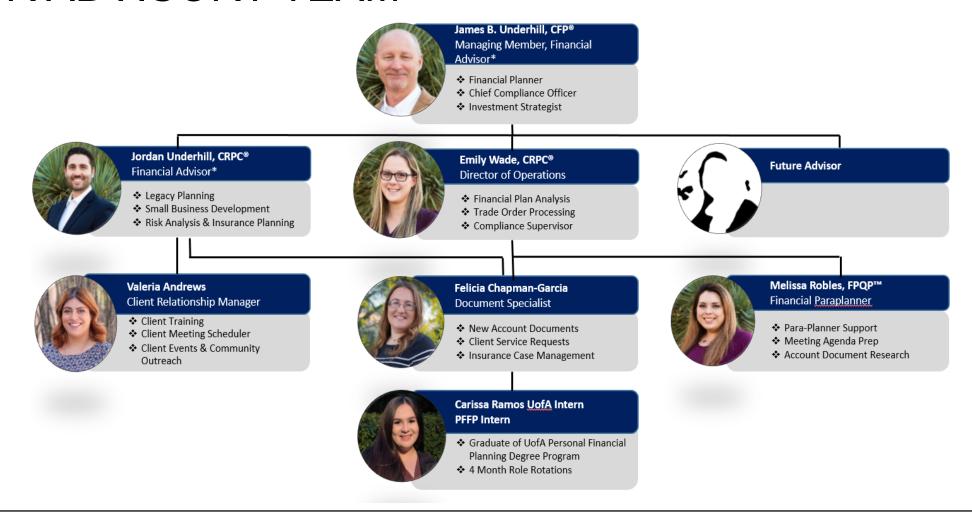






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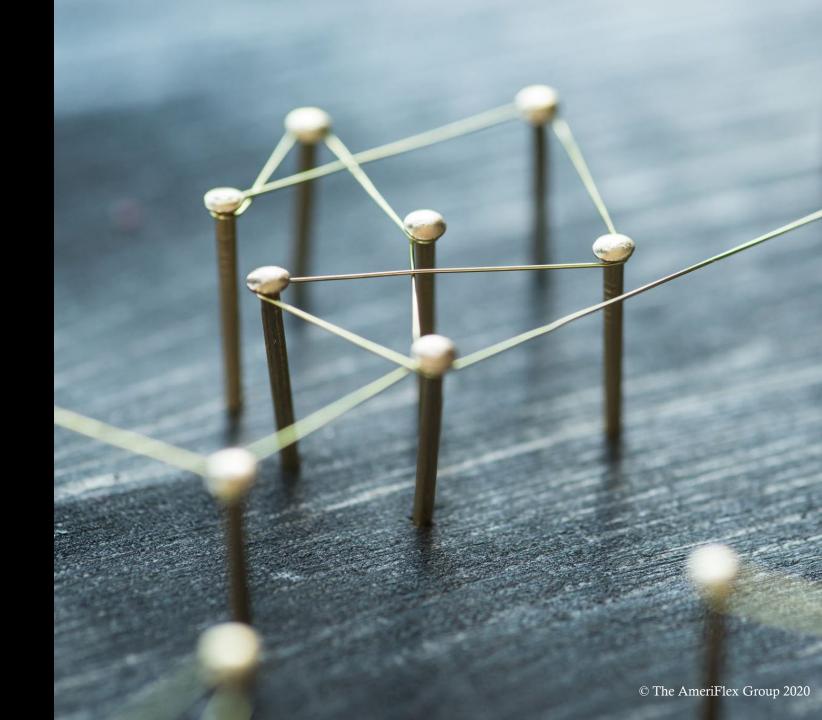




5 RETIREMENT
MISTAKES
SMALL
BUSINESS
OWNERS
MAKE

And How to Avoid Them







Eventually son, you'll be in charge of all this - assuming of course that I can't come up with any better alternative.

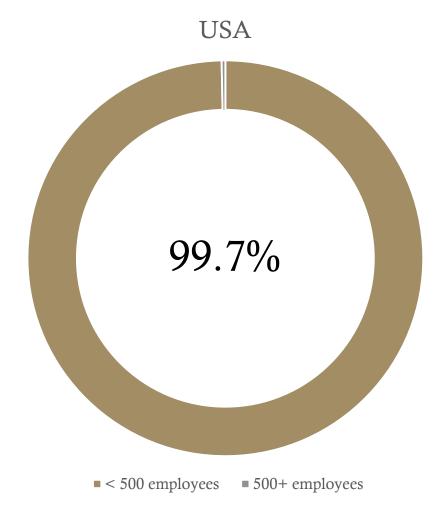
OUR MUTUAL CLIENTS

How many of the United States' companies have less than 500 employees?



In the United States', 99.7% of all firms are comprised of small businesses with 500 or fewer employees.







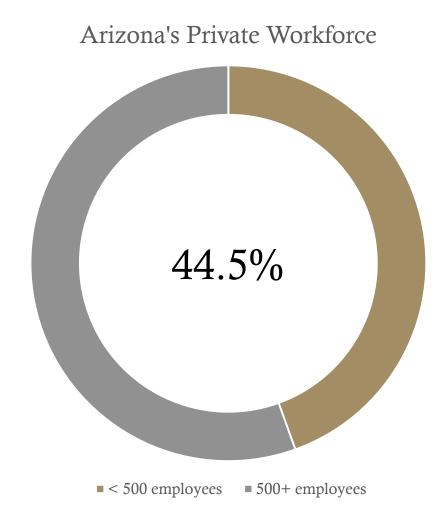
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What percentage of Arizona's private workface are employed by firms with less than 500 employees?



Arizona has more than 550,000 small businesses with less than 500 employees, representing about 44.5% of the state's private workforce.







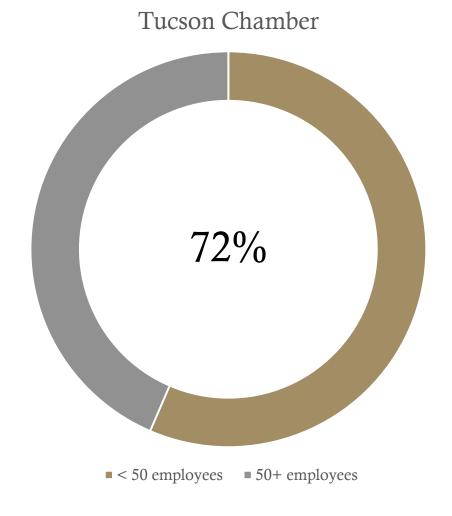
OUR MUTUAL CLIENTS

What percentage of Tucson's chamber members employ less than 50 employees?



Over 72% of the Tucson Metro Chamber's membership are companies with less than 50 employees.







5 RETIREMENT MISTAKES SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS MAKE



MISTAKE 1: LACK OF PLANNING

- 34% of respondents of one survey said they have no retirement strategy.
- While 12% of the same study have no plans to retire at all.





WHAT CLIENTS CAN DO NOW

- Help clients define their ideal retirement.
 - ➤ Do they want to take additional time off to enjoy longer vacations or take every other Friday off?
 - ➤ What lifestyle do they hope to enjoy in their later years?
- Build strategies to address retirement concerns.
 - ➤ Analyze gaps between current assets and income needed to achieve that lifestyle
- Regular check-in's
 - > Don't allow the busy life of business ownership keep clients from staying on track.



MISTAKE 2: NOT DEFINING A TRUE EXIT

- Nearly 1/3 of US businesses survive to the second generation.
- While 12% survive to the third.
- Jim's Family Background
 - Family Owned Construction Engineering Business with 1 Partner
 - ➤ No succession plan
 - ➤ Late 1970's Rising Inflation and Interest Rates put business on hold
 - ➤ Limited Liquidity & Bank's reduced working capital LOC
 - > Resulted in Early Closure of Business due to economic downturn





WHAT CLIENTS CAN DO NOW

Define an Exit Strategy

• Do you want to sell the business outright? Pass it to the next generation? Find outside successor?

• Determine the real value of the business

Calendar future revaluations depending on time to the ideal retirement date.

Develop a strategy for the key employees – and implement it!

• The exit strategy may require clients to hire new employees to help with the transition, adjust the business service offerings based on the new trajectory, or implement other changes.



MISTAKE 3: MY BUSINESS = MY RETIREMENT SAVINGS

- 61% of respondents a recent survey claimed that preparing for retirement makes them feel stressed.
- Diversification Deficiency
- Example: Relative who was a Partner of Arthur Andersen
 - Except for a modest 401k, all retirement savings in Arthur Andersen stock
 - Arthur Andersen went out of business in early 2000's, stock went to \$0 in 2 months (Stock was frozen Partners were unable to liquidate stock)
 - Forced client to start over: formed boutique consulting firm





WHAT CLIENTS CAN DO NOW

- Balance personal and professional finances when there is free cash flow
- Explore available tax-minimization and retirement-saving tools with their team of advisors (and you)
- Maintain a disciplined savings approach
- Ask clients:
 - ➤ Would you and your family be able to enjoy a comfortable retirement without your current income or profits from selling your business?
 - ➤ If you had cash today and were looking at investing it, would you invest the amount you have in your company now?



MISTAKE 4: NOT EVALUATING PERSONAL RISK

- In effort to save money, some small business owners don't carry any insurance at all.
- Lack of Buy/Sell Agreements or LT Disability Insurance
- Example:
 - ➤ Private Design and Build Firm with 300 Employees
 - > Owner had health issues, and became permanently disabled
 - ➤ No buy/sell agreement in place at the time
 - ➤ No formal succession plan in place
 - > Result: Business ceased to exist





WHAT CLIENTS CAN DO NOW

- Analyze current coverages. Clients often addressed life or disability insurance years ago.
 - ➤ At a minimum, we review policies with clients annually to confirm if current coverage fits their exit plan.
- Address family life insurance needs. Calculating total debts and expenses to confirm if the proceeds would be sufficient if the businessowner were to pass away prematurely.
- Work with a professional to determine how life insurance might be able to help support both business and personal needs.



MISTAKE 5: LACKING A TEAM FOR SUPPORT

- Over 60% of small-business owners report that regulations negatively impact their growth.
- Recent example of confusing legislation:
 - ➤ SBA Loans in the CARES Act (Forgivable or Non-Forgivable)
- Business Example:
 - Family Business: Highly Regulated International Business
 - ➤ Husband/Founder ran all aspects of business with small staff
 - ➤ Spouse takes over business ownership after husband passed away
 - > Existing Support Team was limited to CPA
 - ➤ Needed help to
- 1) determine if she wants to run company or
- 2) wants to sell business





WHAT CLIENTS CAN DO NOW

- We will develop a team of advisors who want to (and actually do) collaborate. Our mutual clients need at team of Advanced Credentialed Professionals:
 - **❖** CPAs
 - ❖ Estate and Business Attorneys
 - ❖ Certified Financial Planners® (CFP®)
 - Certified Exit Planning Advisors (CEPA)
 - **❖** Valuation Specialists
 - Exit Strategy Experts
- Aligning a client's financial life requires an understanding of its many facets. Make sure the team is working off the same clear picture of a client's exit strategy.
- Host an annual dress rehearsal to be sure all professionals (and key decision-makers) are on the same page.

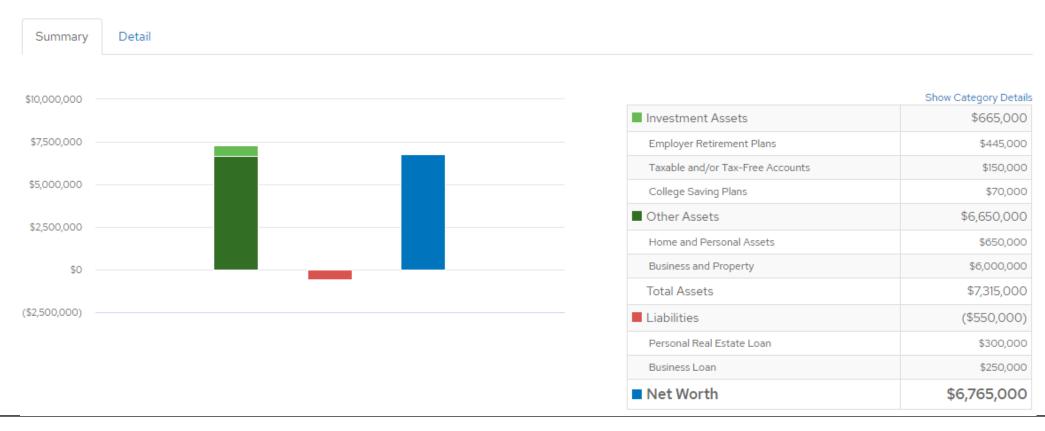


THE BIGGEST QUESTION

How do I avoid running out of money in retirement?

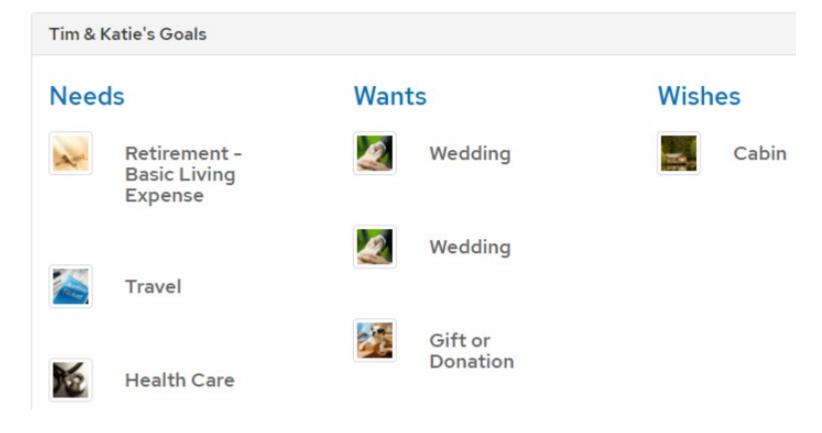


STEP 1: BALANCE SHEET MGMT PRE & POST BUSINESS SALE



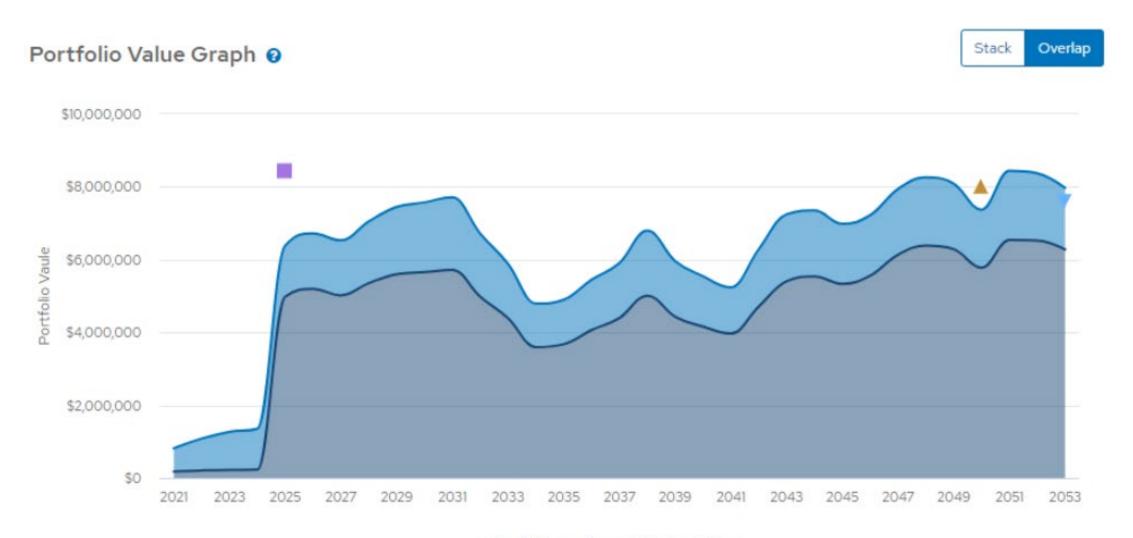


STEP 2: IDENTIFY & PRIORITIZE GOALS

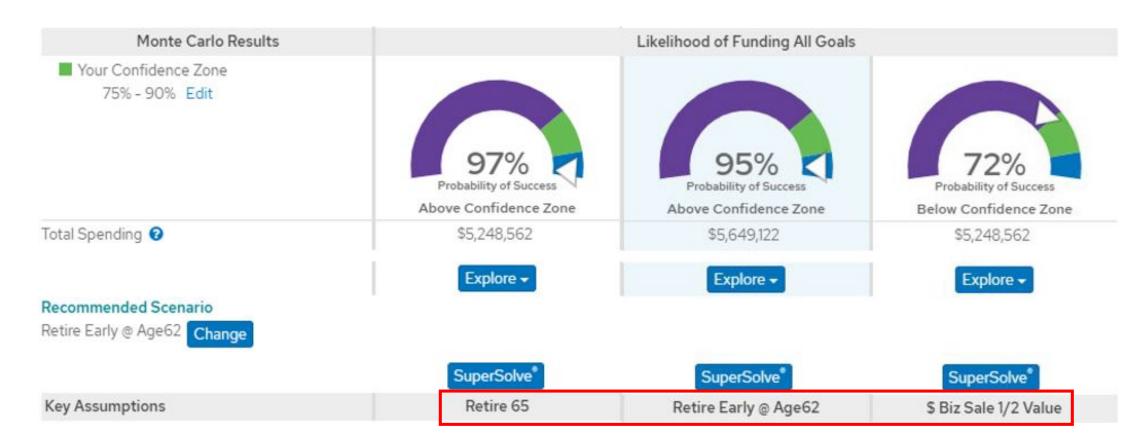




PORTFOLIO VALUE USING MONTE CARLO SIMULATION

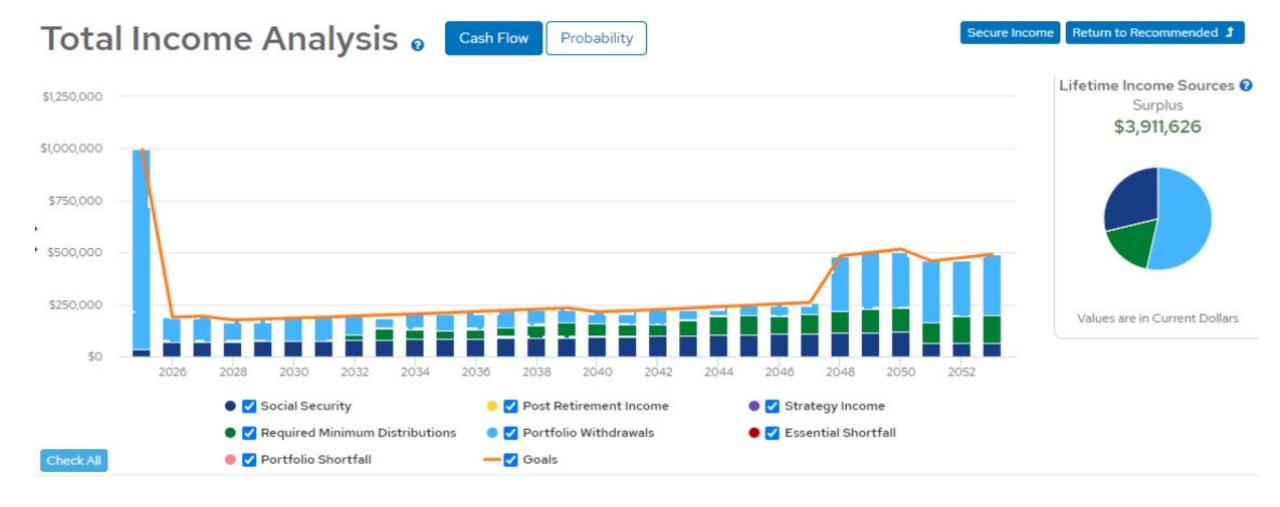


STEP 3: DETERMINE PROBABILITY OF SUCCESS





STEP 4: BUILD A ROADMAP FOR RETIREMENT

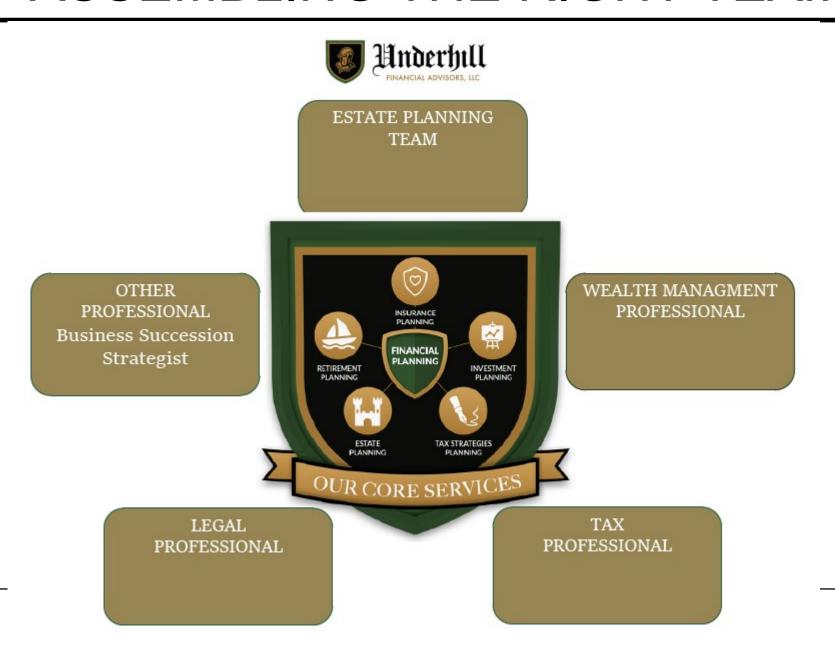


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ASSEMBLING THE RIGHT TEAM



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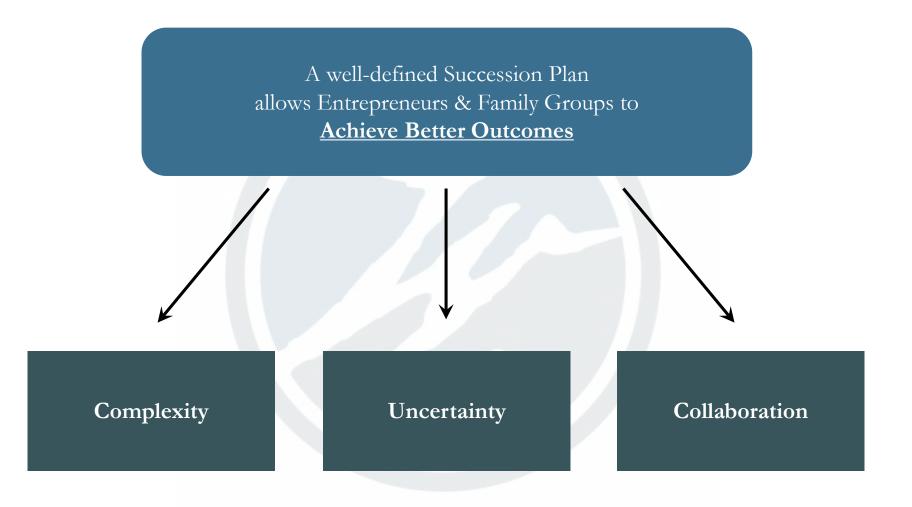


"Why, How and What" of Succession Planning

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- What, Why, Who and How of Succession and Exit Planning
- What are the "Hurdles" and "Pitfalls" to be aware of?
- Why and where does planning get stuck?
- Learn from those who have gone before us.
- Mow do I get started?

- What is Succession/Exit Planning?
 - Owner becomes financially independent of operating asset
 - Operating asset becomes operationally independent of the owner
- Why do Exit/Succession Planning? Everyone will exit their business some day...
 - Death
 - Disability
 - Voluntary sale
 - Retirement
 - Bankruptcy/Orderly liquidation
- Change the game
 - Move from "planning" process to "decision making" process
 - Must focus on value protection AND value creation
 - Can't just be defensive
- Must get over three key "relational or family" hurdles and avoid a few common pitfalls
 - "Family first business" to a "business first business"
 - Evolving from a Entrepreneurial to a Professionally-Managed Business
 - Address succession at all 5 levels

Hurdle 1: Move From Family First To Business First Company

Family First

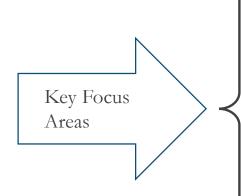
- We'll find a place for all family members
- Equal pay for all no direct accountabilities
- Business resources used for family perks
- Leadership is bestowed
- Do whatever avoids family conflict
- Longevity in family business important
- Only "insiders" on Board

Business First

- If family is qualified and experienced, they can join
- Compensation based on position and performance
- Business resources used strategically
- Leadership is earned
- Clear boundaries; process to address conflict
- Skills, experience and track record more important than longevity
- Strong outside influences on Board



Hurdle 2: Entrepreneurial To Professionally-Managed Business



- Treat business as an "asset under management"
- Operate as if for sale every day
- Organizational Culture of Vision and Values
- Profit Orientation and Accountabilities
- Leadership and Management Development
- Financial Controls, Budgeting and Strategic Planning
- Innovation
- Information and Communication



Hurdle 3: MUST Address "Succession" On All 5 Levels

Ownership

Management

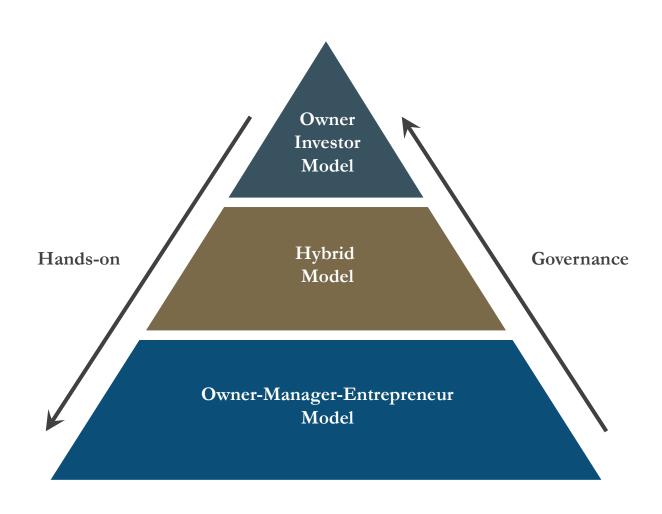
Relationship

Cultural

Leadership

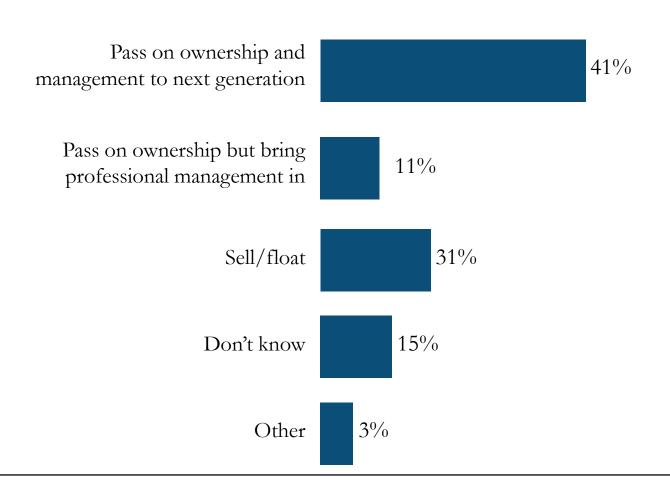


Generational Business Differences



Ownership Succession

Fewer than half of family businesses plan to pass the business fully (ownership and management) to the next generation.



- Family financial security?
- Keep in the family or sell?
- Does planning need to be coordinated with siblings, cousins, or other partners?
 - How to involve the family in the decision process?
- Will your professional advisors push on sensitive issues? Conflicts?
 - Mom and Dad's advisors?
- Lifetime transfers when and how much?
- Management issues who will run?
- Mow will family "glue" be maintained?

These are all emotional issues -- not tax, business or investment issues.

- Recaps
- Valuation Discount Planning
- GRAT (Grantor Retained Annuity Trust)
- Lifetime Use of Unified Credit
- Lifetime Sales (to a Defective Trust)
- New Entities/NewCo
- FLPs (Family Limited Partnership)
- Non-qualified retirement plans
- ESOPs





- Background and qualifications of candidate(s)
- Difference between knowing the job and knowing the company
- Trust and respect between long-term key execs and next-generation family
- Managed a particular project to a successful conclusion
- Understands the "numbers"
- Strategic thinking skills
- Communication and relationship skills
- Ability to "Lead"

- They ignore family dynamics
- They ignore basic business issues
- They are primarily estate and/or income tax-driven
- They rely upon the owner(s) to drive implementation
- They fail to address the "void" left by the involvement in business
- Too many moving parts (complex)
- They don't involve "the next generation"
- They don't involve "the key employees"
- Everyone wants to avoid confrontation
- There is no way to measure success



Become Aware

- Understand all stakeholder objectives
 - Define where each stakeholder is today and where they want to go
- Identify the intended solutions and any unintended consequences

Gain Alignment

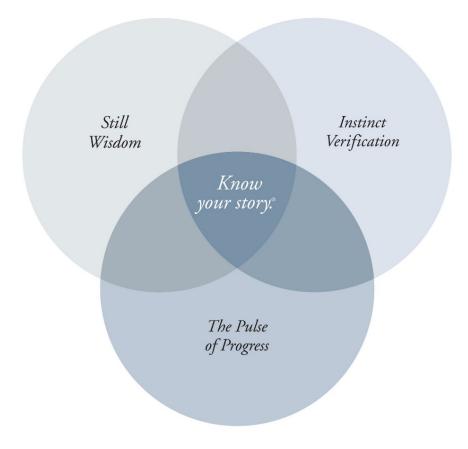
- Ensure all stakeholders are moving in the same direction
- Advisory team must shift from communication to true collaboration
 - Present "one voice" to the stakeholder group

Take strategic Action

- Manage the list of projects and tasks to ensure planning is being completed

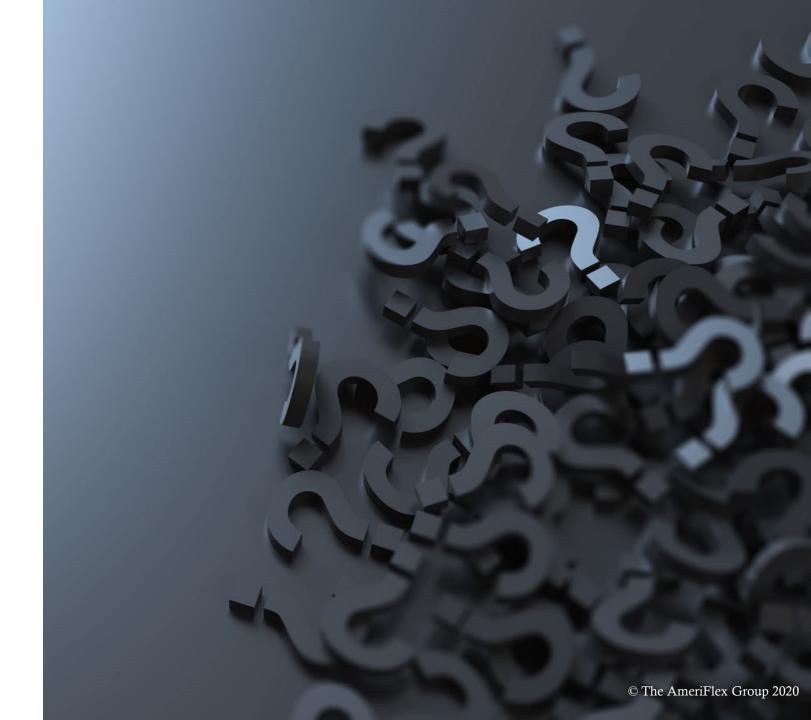
Must <u>Assess</u> progress

- Anything meaningful can be measured



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QUESTIONS?





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