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ESTATE PLANNING: A GIFT TO THOSE YOU LOVE

Estate planning is often viewed as a financial task, but at its heart, it's an act of care. By taking time to document your wishes and organize your affairs, you can provide clarity, guidance, and peace of mind for the people you love most.

Protecting Your Loved Ones

An estate plan helps ensure your wishes are clearly communicated, and important decisions are already made. Rather than leaving loved ones to navigate uncertainty, you can provide them with guidance during a difficult time.

"Estate planning was that "Oh yeah, we need to do that" thing for my husband and me. We'd talk about it, and then life would happen and we'd forget. So when the estate planning session was offered, I jumped at the chance. It was easy to prepare. I feel so much better knowing that my family has one less thing to worry about in the future." - Wendy S.

Planning for the Unexpected

No one can predict the future, but estate planning helps you prepare for it. Documents such as wills, powers of attorney, and healthcare directives can help ensure your wishes are honored if you're unable to make decisions for yourself.

Creating a Plan That Fits Your Life

Estate planning isn't just for the wealthy. Whether you have a growing family, own a home, or want to support a charitable cause, a personalized plan can help protect what matters most to you.



Peace of Mind Today and Tomorrow

Many people put off estate planning because life gets busy. Yet once their plans are in place, they often feel a sense of relief knowing they have taken an important step for their family's future.

"It was a very easy process and we are very happy that we did it. We both were not sure if it was really necessary but once we had our meeting and talked through all the estate planning documents we realized how beneficial it would be to have these documents in place if anything were to happen to us. If you do not have any estate planning documents drawn up, I would highly recommend doing it and getting your affairs in order." - Andrew B.

The greatest gift an estate plan provides isn't measured in dollars. It's the peace of mind that comes from knowing your loved ones will have one less thing to worry about when they need it most.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

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Northeast has established the Founders Society to celebrate and thank those individuals who share in the College's dedication to the success of students and the region it serves. The Founders Society is comprised of those individuals who have chosen to include Northeast in their estate plan with a deferred gift for the ultimate benefit of the College and its students.

Planned gifts include bequests in wills or living trusts; life income plans such as gift annuities, charitable trusts, and pooled income funds; and beneficiary designations of retirement plans, brokerage accounts, and life insurance policies.

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