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It's National Estate Planning Awareness Week!

This week serves as a reminder to complete an important life task that is often left undone. Nearly 67% of American adults don't have a plan in place and miss out on the opportunity to define their wishes and protect themselves and their loved ones.

If you don't have an estate plan in place yet, what's stopping you?

Creating your estate plan is a powerful act of stewardship that can help you communicate healthcare and financial decisions about the future, protect your loved ones, and establish a legacy that honors your Catholic faith.

The process doesn't have to be complicated or stressful.

The Catholic Foundation has partnered with FreeWill to provide you with a complimentary [online estate planning tool](#) which guides you through the process of writing a legal will and creating other important documents like an Advance Healthcare Directive or Financial Power of Attorney — all at no cost. A member of our Catholic community who recently used FreeWill shared:

"Creating a Will was on my to-do list for a long time. I knew I needed one, but life kept getting in the way. Thanks to FreeWill, I was able to put together a Will for my spouse and myself in just about 20 minutes. Now I have the peace of mind knowing our estate plan is in place."

Create My Estate Plan



Your legacy can make a lasting difference.

Including one or more bequests in your will to your parish, school, or a ministry, like The Catholic Foundation, costs nothing today and is a powerful way to enrich and uplift our Catholic faith for generations to come. In recognition of your future gift to any of these diocesan ministries, we will welcome you as a member of the ***Vivos Christi Society***.

We recognize that this free resource might not be right for everyone, as each person's estate planning needs vary. For those who are interested in a customized estate plan, setting up a Trust or speaking with an attorney, we are blessed to have vetted Catholic estate planning attorneys on our **Planned Giving Advisory Council**. A list of these attorneys and their contact information is available at www.cfof.org/advisorycouncil.

Several of our **Planned Giving Advisory Council** members have offered a **FREE** one-hour consultation for individuals referred by The Catholic Foundation. Please contact Madelyn Weed, Vice President of Donor Services at mweed@cfof.org or (407) 246-7188 with a list of those professionals offering a FREE consultation.

Please know our Donor Services team can also assist you with any questions you may have about estate planning. We are blessed to have the opportunity to support you with your charitable goals. If you don't have a legal will in place yet, we hope the resources we offer can help you learn more about your options and allow you to get started on this important step in your stewardship journey.

Thank you for your consideration, and I hope this resource is a blessing to you.

Together in Christ,



Kimberlee Riley, CAP®
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To inspire and increase giving, to prudently invest the resources entrusted to us, and to capably steward those charitable gifts to support the spiritual and corporal needs of the community of the Diocese of Orlando.

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