

# Confidently **plan** for the unknown



Budgeting for the unexpected seems counterintuitive when there are so many variables and unknowns to factor in. Yet preparing for end-of-life expenses can help protect your family and give you peace of mind. Life insurance can help keep you protected without changing your spending or saving habits.



of Americans say they're living "paycheck to paycheck."<sup>1</sup>



### Expect the unexpected



have experienced unexpected financial setbacks in the last three months.<sup>1</sup>

## More 1/2

of Americans have less than three months of expenses in an emergency fund.<sup>2</sup>



Americans have no emergency fund at all.<sup>2</sup>

## Become part of the prepared

Only <b>54</b> %	of American adults have life insurance. <sup>3</sup>	
27%	of American adults with life insurance only have group coverage. <sup>4</sup>	
30%	of Americans believe life insurance	



## Unexpected but common expenses

\$2,200	for an average emergency room visit <sup>6</sup>
\$5,000+	if your pet is hit by a car and requires surgery <sup>7</sup>
\$8,000	for home roof replacement <sup>8</sup>
\$7,000	to replace your home's HVAC system <sup>9</sup>
\$20,235	for an average car accident settlement <sup>10</sup>



#### Preserve your savings

is only for end-of-life expenses.<sup>5</sup>

Life insurance helps you keep your options open in the event something unexpected happens. Instead of dipping into savings, unlock a portion of your life insurance benefits to supplement your income so life's surprises don't catch you off guard.

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#### Add more financial flexibility to your future

With certain policies, you can leverage multiple options to access cash value or you can save some, or all, of the life insurance benefit for your beneficiaries.

**Rest assured** With certain policies, you can also withdraw cash value or borrow against the policy tax-free for any reason later on.<sup>11</sup> It's really up to you – it's just nice to have a life insurance policy that you can use to help your family with end-of-life expenses and help it with unexpected challenges.

Contact your financial professional to find out more about how you can access income tax-advantaged life insurance benefits to pay for unexpected expenses.

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