

Can I Retire
During a
Recession?

### LIFETIME INCOME CASE STUDY

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Carlos & Laura Martinez

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## ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

Client:	Carlos & Laura Martinez.
Ages:	Carlos is age 63 and Laura is age 64.
Retirement:	Both would like to retire now.
Life expectancy:	Carlos age 86. Laura age 88.
Risk tolerance:	Moderately Conservative.
Investment objective:	Income with Capital Preservation.



Name: Carlos

Age: 63

**Job: Engineer** 

Carlos worked as an engineer but was recently laid off and given a severance package. At this point, he would prefer not having to find a new full time job. Carlos would like to either retire or take on a less stressful job that may not pay as much. He is concerned about the timing of retirement and the current shape of the economy, especially since his recent layoff.

Name: Laura

Age: 64

Job: Paralegal

Laura worked at the same firm for over 20 years. She is really concerned about their ability to retire and covering the rising costs of retirement. She would like to maintain the same standard of living if possible but likes the idea of moving to Portland to be closer to the grandkids.

### WHAT IS IMPORTANT TO CARLOS & LAURA?



### CARLOS & LAURA'S CURRENT BUDGET



#### CARLOS & LAURA'S RETIREMENT BUDGET



### CARLOS & LAURA'S ASSETS

#### **Non-Investment Assets**

✓ Primary Residence: \$850,000

✓ Real Estate: \$30,000

#### **Investment Assets**

✓ Carlos's Retirement: \$941,000

✓ Joint/ROS accounts: \$28,000

✓ Cash & Precious Metals: \$65,000

Total Investment Assets \$1,034,000

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Liabilities: -\$520,000

Net Worth: \$1,394,000

#### CARLOS & LAURA'S FINANCIAL PLAN CHALLENGES

- 1. Sequence risk of returns.
- 2. Maximizing retirement income.
- 3. Choosing the right time to retire given where we are in the current business cycle.
- 4. Maintaining the same standard of living.



# Sequence of Returns Risk:

Also known as sequence risk, is the risk of having low or negative returns at the beginning of retirement. Poor returns at the beginning of retirement are one of the biggest risks a person faces, especially due to compounding effects and the difficulty of recouping losses under a limited time horizon.

#### CARLOS & LAURA'S RETIREMENT INCOME STRATEGY

	Carlos & Laura's Social Security	\$46,000
Investment Income		
Carlos's Retire \$941K	Fixed Income & Dividend Payers @ 3.1%1	\$29,171
Joint/ROS Acct \$28K	Fixed Income & Dividend Payers @ 3.1%2	\$868
Home Proceeds \$330K	Fixed Income & Dividend Payers @ 3.1%3	\$10,230
	Total Investment Income	\$40,269
	Grand total income	\$86,269
	Less Budget	\$84,000
	Surplus	\$2,597

<sup>1, 2, &</sup>amp; 3: Yields are for current portfolio yields as of 10/25/16. Please see disclosures at the end of this presentation for security risks.

# GOAL BASED RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CARLOS & LAURA

#### What are our goals?

#### Strategy

Being able to retire.

Reducing expenses.

Protecting the nest egg.

Maintain same standard of living.

- Since they do not have any pensions, both will continue to work part time until reaching their Full Retirement Age for social security.
- Relocate to Portland from CA and sell current home while buying a smaller home up there. This substantially reduces expenses and provides additional assets that can be used to create income.
- Investing more conservatively and having them work a few more years will protect from sequence of returns risk.
- By relocating, Carlos and Laura can enjoy the same lifestyle at a more reasonable cost. Downsizing the home reduces expenses and also creates the ability to produce more income to enjoy other aspects of their life.

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