

“Bring Home the Bacon!”

The Changing Roles of Women



The woman of the “house” has come to mean more than the woman at home. Women are now legislators, business owners, doctors, corporate executives, firefighters, combat soldiers . . . The list goes on and on. Women have expanded their historical influence in the social realm to include the business, political and financial segments of American life.

With this expanded influence comes expanded responsibility . . . perhaps an even greater financial responsibility to your family if you are “bringing home the bacon.” Let’s take a look at how having life insurance can assist with those financial obligations and provide legacy and living benefits.

Legacy Benefits.

We are all very aware of the primary reason for purchasing a life insurance policy. The death benefit proceeds paid to a beneficiary are generally federal income tax free and can be used to assist with lost income, expenses, and even debt. It may even help with college expenses for the children. How would losing you affect your family’s lifestyle? Would they need to replace your income or lower their standard of living? Would there be extra child-care expenses, household expenses, etc.?

Living Benefits

There are life insurance policies that will allow you to accumulate cash value on a tax-deferred basis. These cash accumulation values may be used to assist with life’s

big events—paying for college . . . buying a new home . . . buying that car you’ve always wanted . . . even adding to your retirement income. And with a properly planned combination of withdrawals and loans, the funds are not subject to current income tax. What this means is that your life insurance policy can assist you with your personal financial obligations with living benefits.

The Primary Asset

It’s not too soon to contact your Security Mutual Life Insurance agent, or find an advisor near you at <https://www.smlny.com/find-a-representative/>.

Remember, **you** are a primary asset. Your greater role deserves greater protection.

Contact your local Security Mutual life insurance advisor today to coordinate your financial plans and help achieve your goals and objectives.

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