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Q2 2022 Market Recap

The U.S. equity market ended the second quarter down 16.7%.

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Mid-Year Review

This is a reminder to get in touch with our team about scheduling your midyear review. If you're traveling during the summer or plan to be out of town, we can always schedule you ahead of time so that when you return, we'll be ready to engage and listen to what you have to share.

Our meeting with you can be conducted in our office or done virtually by Zoom.

If we already met earlier this year and you have updates since then, we welcome you back to discuss further what changes occurred and how your planning aligns with life's turning points.

In addition, if you have feedback, your input would be greatly appreciated. We'd love to hear what's working, what do you want more of, and what changes we can implement to improve on outcomes you expect. The extent of our success together not only depends on our professional expertise, your participation in this ongoing work is vital too. After all, you're the expert on your life.

That is to say by staying engaged, the decisions we make together, stories that you tell, will then largely inform us on a way forward. To that end, we hope to

Resources



RETIREMENT SECURITY IS NOT AN IMPOSSIBLE DREAM

There are multiple small steps and strategies investors can follow to help get them to a financially secure retirement.

The road to retirement security can be filled with speed bumps and detours. Some plan participants may not be concerned about retirement because it's years away. Others reduce or elimited plan contri-butions due to more immediate financial obligations. And there are those who lack the confidence to effectively manage their retirement assets.

¹ This is a hypothetical example used for illustrative purposes only. It ass the result of any particular investment. Your results will be different.

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PRIORITIZE YOUR RETIREMENT SECURITY

Retirement planning may not be a priority right now. Still, it's not wise to ignore the future. The reality is that the actions you take today could have a signifi-cant impact on the quality of your future life. By setting aside some time and effort for retire c) secure some some time and effort for retrement planning now, you can increase the likelihood that you'll have the financial resources available to help you enjoy a financially secure retirement.

BOOST YOUR CONTRIBUTION LEVEL And there are those who lack the confidence to effectively manage their retirement assets. The good news is that there are many small steps you can take to shift your retirement planning into high gear and help you move close to a financially comfortable retirement. Here are some effective strategies to consider.

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Recent market volatility reminds us of the ever-present risks inherent in stock investing. When bear markets occur, many investors instinctively seek shelter on the sidelines. But, as history demonstrates, leaving the market—even temporarily—can be costly over the transition. ong-term

PLANNING FOR A MARKET DOWNTURN

So, what can investors do now to manage current market volatility?

STAY INVESTED

STAY INVESTED TFst, It's important to acknowledge that basic human instincts are at odds with what it takes to invest success-fully over the long term. After all, what did our ancestors downen faced with danger? It was either fight or flight. "Do nothing" probably wouldn't have been a good strategy, built's excity what most investors should do when a sharp downturn occurs.

BE PATIENT

Patience is key. As Oracle of Omaha Warren Buffett says, "The stock market is a device for transferring money from the impatient to the patient." When markets

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are volatile, either up or down, it's easy for investors to let emotions like euphoria or fear get the better of them, causing them to make impublics investment decisions. Being aware of how emotions can impact tackison-making is a great first step to avoiding making regrettable investment choices during a market downturn.

RESIST THE URGE TO SELL AT THE

WRONG TIME A well-known cognitive blas humans have is loss aversion, PL slimply, people have a storager negative reaction to losing money than they do a positive reaction to gaining the same amount. How does loss aversion play out for investors? It can cause investors to sell at their most panicked, when stock prices have already considerably declined.

- When panic sets in and investors are tempted to sell, stop and ask: Who is buying my shares?
- Why would they buy my shares Could it actually be a good time to buy?



Goal-based investing offers a holistic approach to managing wealth by carefully aligning your investments with your life and legacy goals. It aims to bring discipline to investing by putting your financial objectives at the center of the investment process.

Center of the investment piocess. With gaal-based investing, each investment has a purpose that is lied to a specific objective—for example, saving for retirement or buying a vacation home. Instead of measuring an investment's progress against benchmark returns or market performance, success is measured by how well an investor's portfolio is tracking against the goals set for It.

3 STEPS TO BUILDING GOAL-BASED PORTFOLIOS One of the benefits of goal-based investing is that it can help investors any disciplined and focused on during periods of market volatility, when investors are likely to feel anisota about the vake of their investments. Knowing they have a carefully articulated plan that reflects their personal goals can help investors maintain a long-term term view.

Goal-Based Investing: An Introduction

STEP 1: IDENTIFY AND PRIORITIZE GOALS Together with the help of a financial advisor, you should begin by identifying your financial goals—whether it's generating future referement income, funding a child's or granachild's college education, saving for a family wedding, or supporting a charalised cause. The next step involves establishing the timing and

The next step an encode d substanting the forming in characteristics related to each objective. Some may be one-time goals while others could be ongoing o periodic, like meeting annual retriement income needs It can be helpful to categorize your goals based on time horizon: Short-term goals: 0-4 years

Mid-term goals: 5-14 years
Long-term goals: 5-14 years
Long-term goals: 15- years
If you have multiple goals, it's important to rank them by
their level of Importance. Knowing their relative priority
makes it easier to determine which you may be able to
reduce or eliminate If necessary.

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2022 Tax Reference Guide

These tax tables are designed to offer a quick summary of tax brackets and taxes for: personal income, capital gains, children, and both employer and personal retirement plans.

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