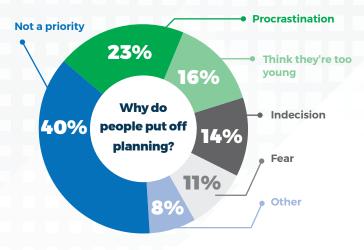
Why this should be the year you finally get a will

Raise your hand if you've been putting off estate planning?

Yup, that's what we thought.

A Generation Law survey found most people haven't taken basic steps to plan for aging. See how you stack up - and the steps to take this year.



SOURCE: OnePoll Survey, 2015

Get in touch with Generation Law at 630-782-1766 or info@generationlaw.com to create an estate plan that works for your family – and check a big to-do off your list.



1. Don't wait on a will

Wills, trusts and other estate planning documents help to ensure your property goes to the people and organizations you choose, including:

- · Homes and land
- · Life insurance policies
- Vehicles
- · Bank accounts
- Jewelry, art and other valuables

Estate planning can help you:

- Make sure your wishes are carried out
- Minimize taxes
- Avoid court and potential court costs of \$10.000+

of people don't have a will

2. Make your medical wishes known

A healthcare power of attorney covers the type of care you do (or don't) want at the end of your life.

- · Make your own life support decisions
- Avoid disagreements between grieving loved ones
- · Keep the courts out of your care

71%

of people don't have a healthcare power of attorney

3. Powers to the people

A power of attorney appoints someone else, like your spouse or child, to make financial decisions when you can't anymore. If you don't create these documents ahead of time, a court can decide who calls the shots.

71%

of people haven't set up financial powers of attorney