Introducing our Financial Planning Workshops

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Suitability of Financial Planning Workshops

People starting out on a career

As a refresher course for experienced people

 Workshops will be run at our regular events preceding the main speaker

Financial Planning Workshops

- Fundamentals of Investing
- Building a Diversified Portfolio
- Active versus Passive Investing Strategies
- Retirement Planning
- Managing your Cash Flow in Retirement
- Safe Withdrawal Rates from your Retirement Portfolio
- Claiming Social Security Benefits
- Estate Planning

Fundamentals of Investing

- Personal Investor Profile, PIP
- Measuring risk and returns
- Techniques to minimize risk
- Investment vehicles
 - Stocks and bonds
 - Mutual funds, Closed-end funds
 - Exchange traded funds, ETFs
 - REITs, MLPs, etc.

Building a Diversified Portfolio

- Modern Portfolio Theory
- The Efficient Market Hypothesis
- Building a simple 3-asset portfolio
- Building a multi-asset portfolio
- Rebalancing strategies
- Investment Policy Statement, IPS

Active versus Passive Investment Strategies

- Passive Investor: Seeks market returns
- Active Investor: Everyone else
- What advantage does the active trader have?
- Who is on the other side of every trade?
- Can you predict the future better than anyone else?

Retirement Planning

- Accumulation phase
 - Incentives for starting early
- Tax deferred accounts: Traditional IRA, 401(k)
- Tax free accounts: Roth IRA, Roth 401(k)
- Taxable accounts
- Managing your retirement accounts

Managing your Cash Flow in Retirement

- How much do you need? Major expenses
- Income: The 3-legged stool
 - Social Security
 - Pension
 - Retirement portfolio
- Reverse mortgage
- Annuities: Immediate and longevity
- Long term care and umbrella liability policies

<u>Safe Withdrawal Rates</u> <u>from your Retirement Portfolio</u>

- Bengen's 4% Rule
 - Variations on the 4% rule
- RMD strategy
- Bucket techniques
- Other withdrawal considerations
 - Glide paths in retirement

Social Security Claiming Strategies

- Full retirement age, FRA
- Early retirement
- Delayed retirement
- Simple strategies for single people
 - File and suspend
- Strategies for married couples
 - Claim some now, more later

Estate Planning

- Wills, probate
- Revocable Living Trusts, RLT
- Limited power of attorney for financial matters
- Advance directive, Living will
- Building your binder
- Practical considerations for executor/trustee
- Digital legacy: email, social media, photos.

Tell your Friends!!!

- Do you have any family members, friends, neighbors, who could benefit from these workshops?
- Workshops will be run at our regular events preceding the main speaker
 - Also plan to present them free at a local library
 - Check our website www.siliconvalleyaaii.org
 for location and times.