

Financial Advice - When is it Needed

Life events often trigger the need for financial advice. Below are a number of triggers you may come across where you can seek financial planning advice.

Common Trigger Events (May occur at any age or life stage)

- Achieving one of your financial planning goals that's something to celebrate! It may be time to identify and work towards a new goal.
- Your attitude towards financial matters change or you become anxious about our financial affairs this could be influenced by an external trigger.
- Struggling to stick to debt management/budget plan
- Getting a tax refund/bill or bonus
- Receiving an inheritance or windfall
- Redundancy
- Changing Job or income
- Self-employment starting or changing business with someone else
- Divorce or separation
- Losing your partner
- Change in dependent
- Getting a pet
- Changes in lifestyles e.g. hobbies/interests (which may be more expensive)
- Dealing with illness
- Renovations
- Holiday house purchase
- Travel Holidays
- Increased debt

Aged Based	Trigger
Events	

20s to 40s Career & Family Builder		40s to 50s Mid-Life		50s to 60s Pre-retirement		65+ Retirement	
	Buying a car Buying a house Getting married Starting a career Having children Increased debt Further study Change in career		Children's education Family health care Becoming a carer of parents Thinking about your future retirement		Business/career exit strategy Employment payout Children move out of home Children get a job Paying off your mortgage Assisting children to purchase property Thinking about your future retirement		Children getting married/buying a house Grandchildren Relocating/downsizin g/selling your family home Considering age care needs/moving into age care

External/Environmental Trigger Events

- Investment performance/economy
- Changes in laws that may present new opportunities or impact the effectiveness of your current financial plan, such as:
 - o Financial Planning
 - Superannuation
 - Investment
 - Tax
 - Retirement income
 - Centrelink and social security
 - Produce disclosure and development (particularly in retirement space)
 - o Credit
- Media Coverage that may raise questions or concern about your financial plans
- You are worried about how a change in the external environment may impact your financial plan.



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