

A SHORT VERSION OF A FINANCIAL NEEDS ANALYSIS

This work sheet will help you to estimate how much your estate would be worth if you were to die today, what income flow it can generate and what other sources of income are available to your survivors.

[A] Estimating the Income-Producing Assets of Your Estate

ASSETS

Add

Life insurance (including employer-provided)	_____	
Savings, cash	_____	
Investments	_____	
RRSPs	_____	
Other	_____	
Total		_____ [1]

LIABILITIES

Add

Final expenses	_____	
Outstanding uninsured debts (mortgages if not insured, credit card balances, income taxes, etc.)	_____	
Total		_____ [2]

Subtract Liabilities from Assets _____ **[A]**

[B] Determining Income Needs

Monthly income needs _____ **[3]**

Available income

From estate (multiply A by 0.00225, see note below)	_____	
From C/QPP or other pension	_____	
From employment	_____	
Other	_____	
Total		_____ [4]

Find difference between [3] and [4]. If income needs exceed available income, proceed to Step [C]. _____ **[B]**

[C] Calculating Capital Needs

Multiply monthly income shortfall [B] by 12 to determine annual shortfall. _____ **[5]**

Divide [5] by assumed net after-tax interest rate (e.g., 2.7 per cent), as in Step [B] to determine **Additional Capital Required** to meet your survivors' income needs. _____ **[C]**

Note: As an illustration, assume that the income-producing assets of your estate could earn a gross return of 4.5 per cent a year. This equates to a net after-tax annual interest rate of approximately 2.7 per cent. Using this assumed net interest rate, each \$1,000 in your estate will provide an income of approximately \$27 a year, or \$2.25 a month.

The income earned will rise and fall with interest rates, and will be affected by your actual tax rate.