# 10 Reasons for Life Insurance

In a recent study, LIMRA ranked the top reasons for considering life insurance<sup>1</sup>

#### 1. Income replacement

Proceeds from a life insurance policy can step in to pay the bills when income from the insured is lost due to death.

#### 2. Burial and other final expenses

The death of a loved one is hard enough without having to worry about your funeral costs, which can be well over \$10,000.2

#### 3. Mortgage protection

A family may lose their home if a life insurance death benefit is not available to help pay the mortgage.

#### 4. Lock in a low premium at a young age

Over time, as people age, premiums increase. The best time for you to buy life insurance is today.

#### 5. Transfer wealth to family

You can leave more money to your family with a life insurance policy as part of your estate.

# 6. A tax-advantaged way to build cash value

You can realize tax advantages by utilizing policies that build cash value.

# 7. Provide funds for college education

College is expensive. Life insurance proceeds can help ensure that college loans are paid even if you aren't there to help.

### 8. Meet evolving needs with a variety of product options

Needs change over a lifetime. You may want to look for a different type of policy or lower premiums to suit new life circumstances.

# Supplement employer-provided life insurance policy

Employer-provided life insurance alone may not be adequate to cover your family's financial needs.

# 10. Pay estate taxes and create estate liquidity

When an estate is inherited, certain taxes must be paid. Life insurance may step in to cover your estate costs.





