

Outgoing Generation Without a Family Successor Resources

We couldn't publish everything in Your Farm, Your Future. To dive deeper into key questions from the Outgoing Generation with a Non-Family Successor, use the links below. The links include educational videos, articles and places to find succession planning experts. Links will open a new page.

Q1: What things excite you about stepping back from the responsibilities of farm?

Who can help: Farm Succession Advisor, Mental Health Counsellor

Learn more:

- [What to consider before you stop farming](#)
- [Farmer Wellness Initiative](#)
- [Reinventing your life after Farm Retirement](#)

Q2: What experiences or assets have you dreamed of having?

Who can help: Farm Succession Advisor, Mental Health Counsellor, Financial Planner

Learn more:

- [Reinventing your life after Farm Retirement](#)
- [Retiring to the Life You Love](#)
- [5 Steps to Designing the Life you Want](#)

Q3: Do you have a timeline for winding down your operation?

Who can help: Farm Succession Advisor, Accountant

Learn more:

- [Setting up your retirement goals](#)
- [Canadian Association of Farm Advisors Database](#)

Q4: Have you shared your farming vision and future retirement dreams with your spouse and your children/family members? If no, what's stopping you?

Who can help: Farm Succession Advisor, Mental Health Counsellor

Learn more:

- [The Future Leader](#)

Q5: Where do you live now and where do you plan to live in the future?

Who can help: Financial Planner, Farm Succession Advisor, Insurance Broker

Learn more:

- [Brochure_Guide_Long_Term_Care_ENG.pdf](#)

Q6: What is your current personal cost of living?

Who can help: Financial Planner, Accountant

Learn more:

- [Cost of Living Calculator](#)

Q7: How do you want to help your children and/or other family members be successful?

Who can help: Farm Succession Advisor, Financial Planner

Learn more:

- Please refer to the Who and What list.

Q8: Are there specific assets or values that you wish to gift to heirs or charity?

Who can help: Farm Succession Advisor, Financial Planner, Accountant, Lawyer

Learn more:

- [The Navigator](#)

Q9: Do you have any health or personal limitations that you want to budget for in your planning?

Who can help: Financial Planner, Insurance Broker

Learn more:

- [Life Expectancy Statistics in Canada](#)

Q10: Do you have a financial plan for retirement or stepping back from the farm?

Who can help: Financial Planner, Insurance Broker, Accountant

Learn more:

- [Registered Retirement Income Fund](#)
- [Retirement Planning for Farmers](#)

Q11: On a scale of 1 to 10, how important, is it for you to keep owning land?

Who can help: Accountant, Lawyer, Financial Planner, Farm Succession Advisor

Learn more:

- [Dividing Assets between farm and non-farming kids](#)

Q12: If something happened to you, could someone easily take over your tasks and decision-making, enabling the farm to continue to operate?

Who can help: Farm Succession Advisor, Lawyer, Life Insurance Broker

Learn more:

- [Because I Love You List](#)

Q13: Do you have an up-to-date will that reflects your wishes and current assets?

Who can help: Lawyer

Learn more:

- [Farm Transition: Will and Estate Planning Tool](#)

Q14: Is there a specific way you want to be remembered after you are gone?

Who can help: Farm Succession Advisor, Mental Health Counsellor

Learn more:

- [Farm Family Legacy Videos](#)

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