

HORIZON INVESTMENTS®



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# Prepare for the JOURNEY

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# Why goals-based?

While diversification and risk management are critical components of investment management, the goals-based approach and the traditional approach differ greatly in how advice is delivered and product selected.

Some highlights of these differences:

## **TRADITIONAL** investing

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Centered on institutions

Product selected by risk profile

Focus: Benchmark performance

Single-risk awareness

*Where are we going?*

## **GOALS-BASED** investing

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Centered on the individual

Product selected by goals

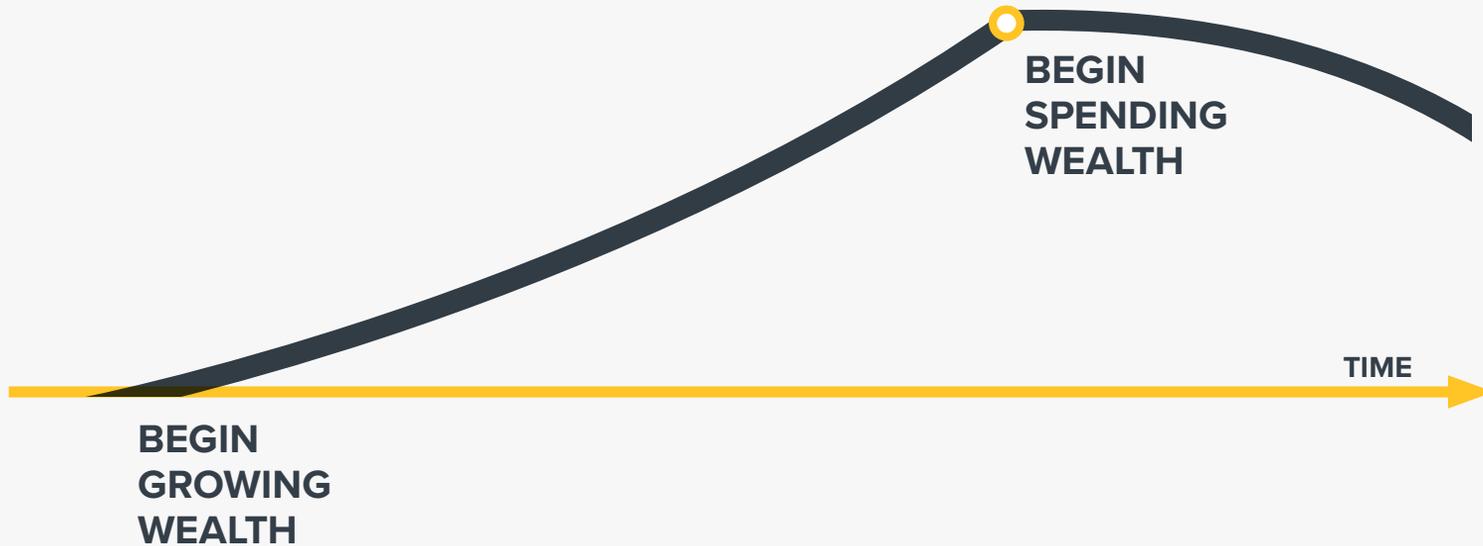
Focus: Progress toward reaching goals

Multi-risk awareness

*How do we get there?*

# INVESTMENT JOURNEY

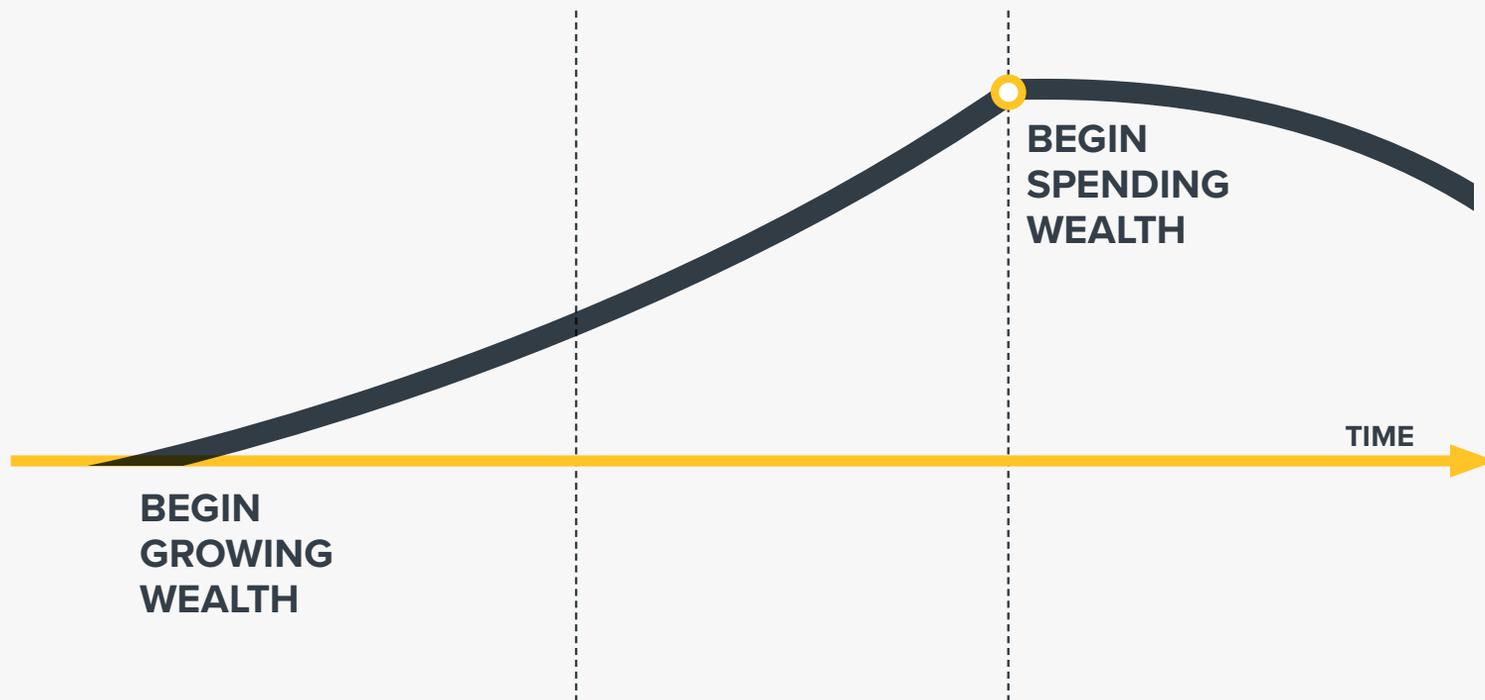
The path investors commonly encounter along their financial journey.





# STAGES OF THE JOURNEY

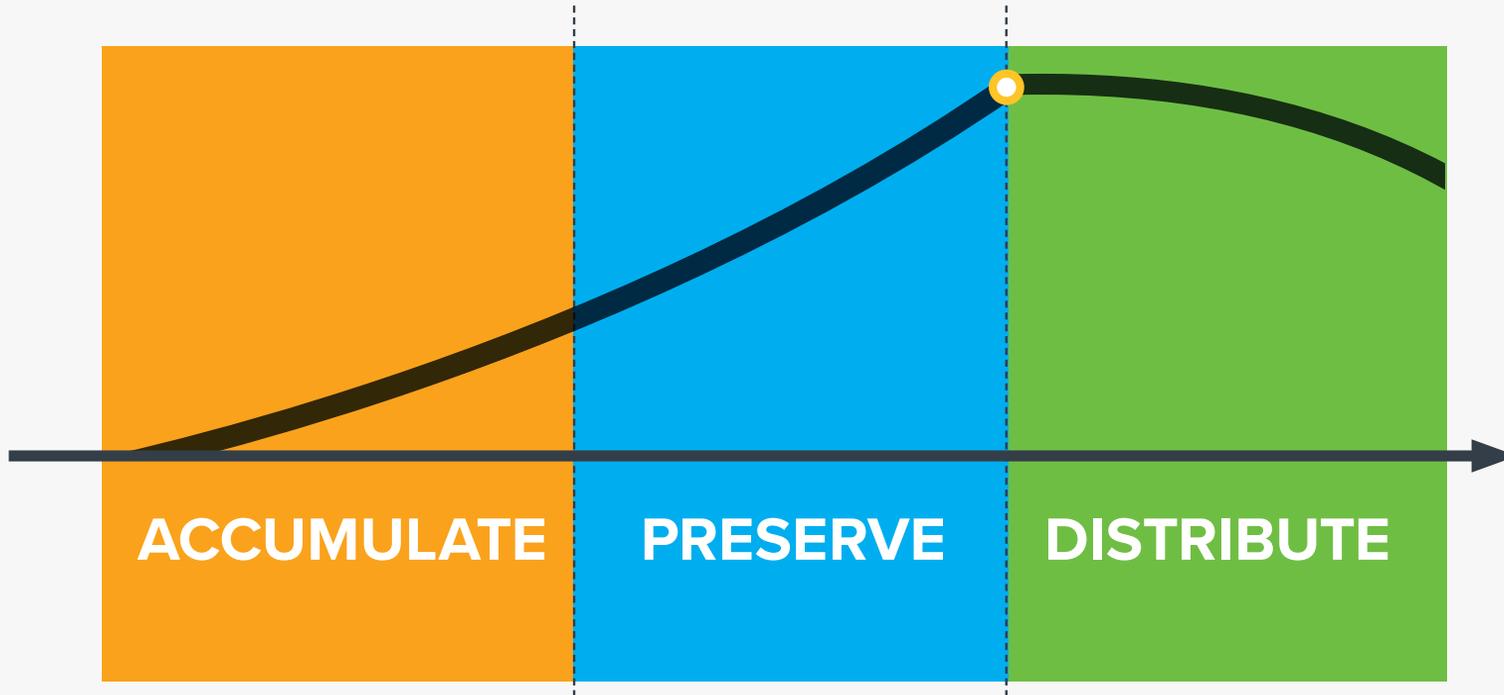
Horizon has identified three major stages along this journey.





# WEALTH OBJECTIVES

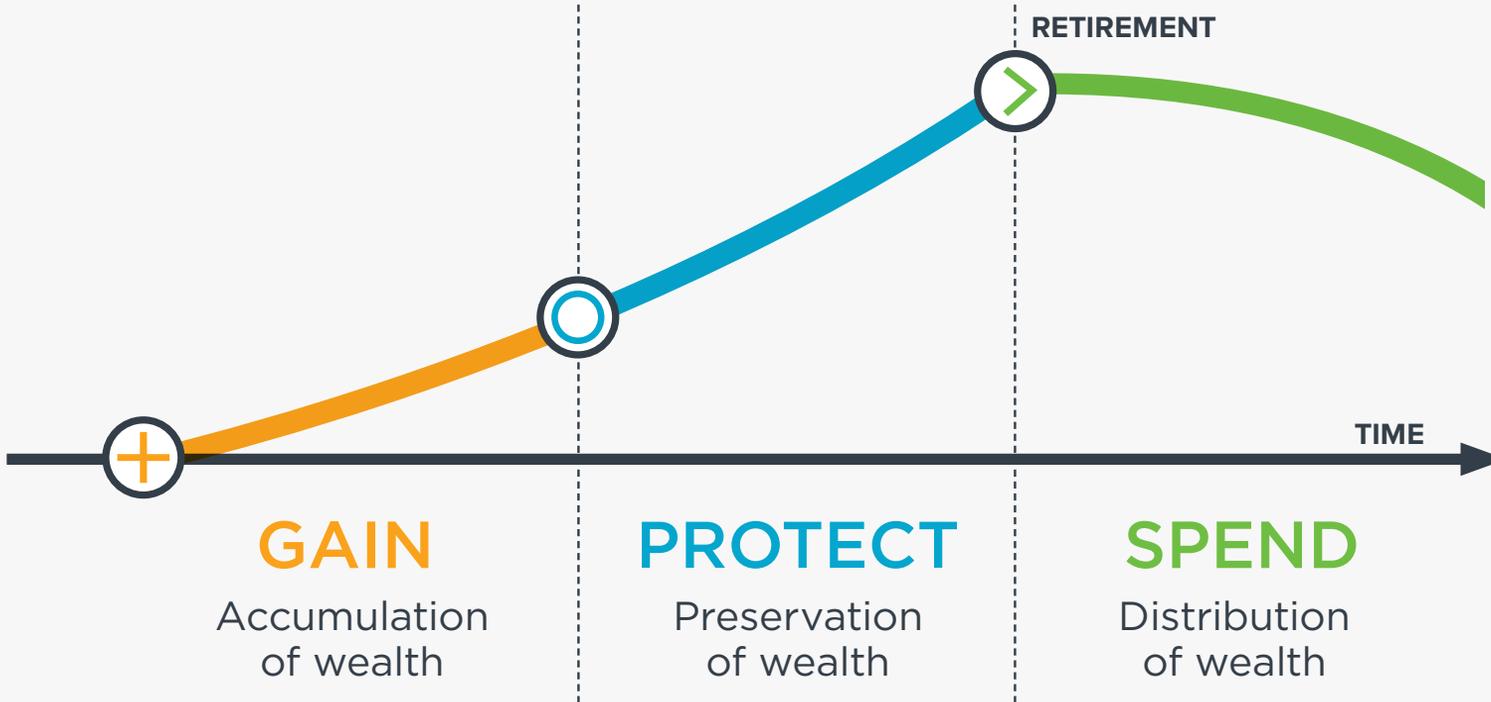
The investor seeks a specific outcome for their wealth within these stages.



# STAGE IDENTIFICATION

Horizon names these stages

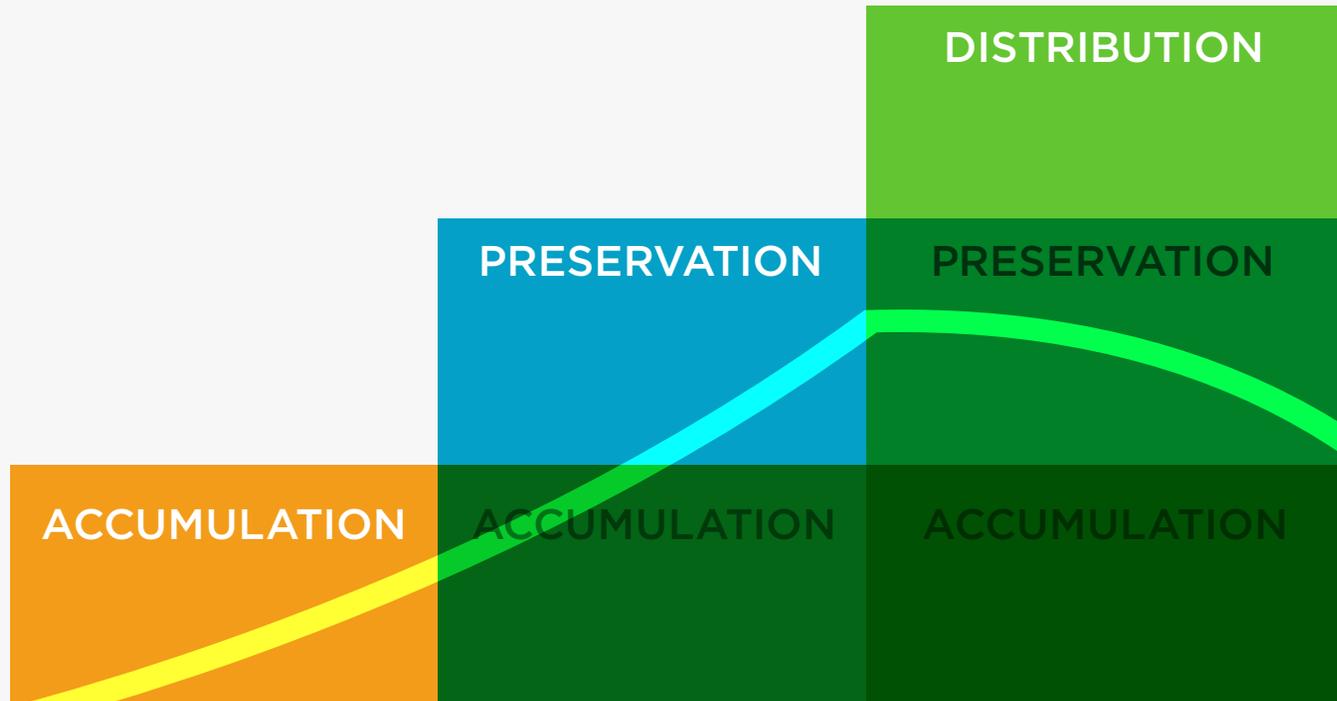
**GAINPROTECTSPEND**<sup>®</sup>





## Know the Objective

Each stage has a specific objective—or goal. The current stage’s objective always remains the primary focus, even as it builds upon the prior stage’s objective/goal.





## Identify the Risk

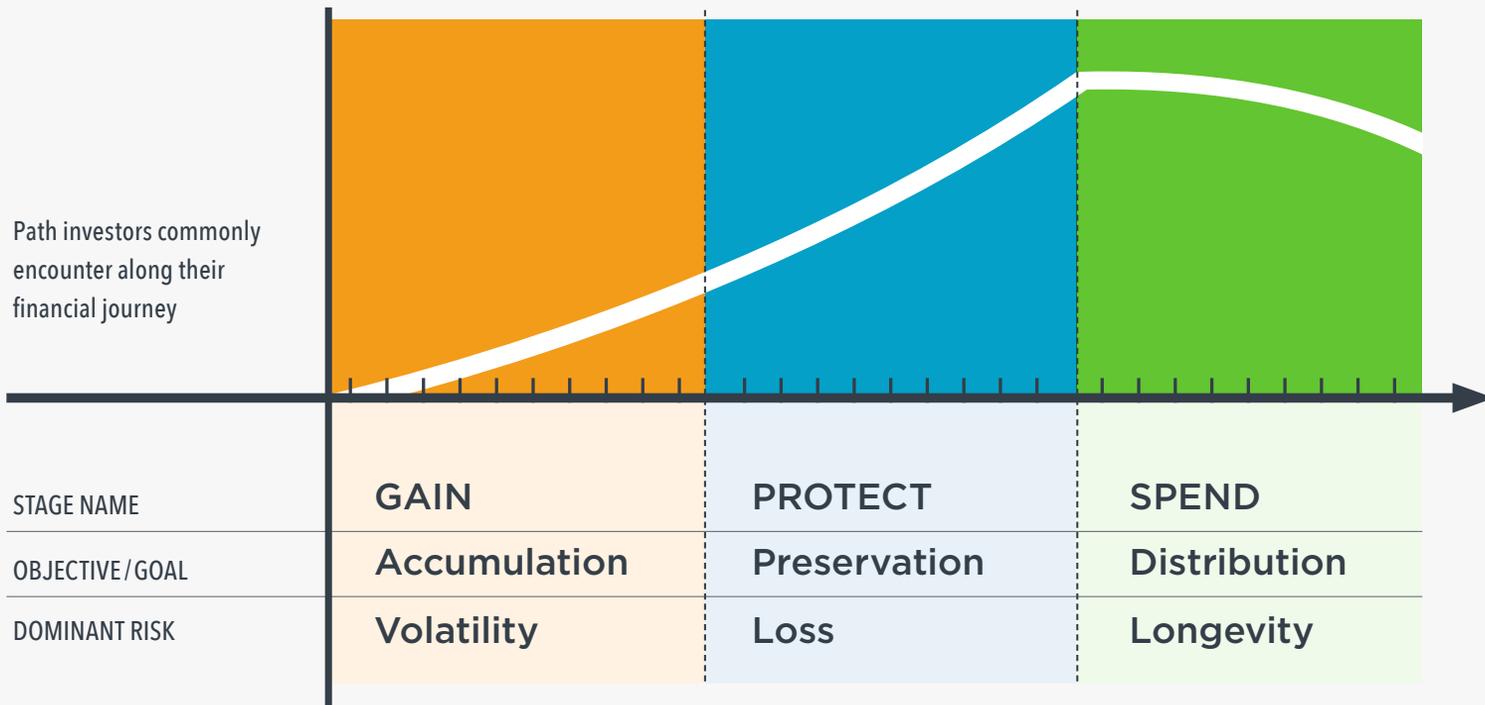
Each stage has its own unique risk, requiring a strategy designed specifically for that risk without losing focus on or compromising the main objective.





# SUMMARY

Horizon recognizes the stages of the investment journey and identifies the goal and risk unique to each stage.



# OUR INVESTMENT STRATEGIES



STAGE	 <b>GAIN</b>	 <b>PROTECT</b>	 <b>SPEND</b>
STRATEGY	<p><b>active</b> asset allocation</p> <p>target growth in global markets</p>	<p><b>risk assist</b><sup>®</sup></p> <p>seeks to reduce risk when needed most</p>	<p><b>REAL SPEND</b><sup>®</sup></p> <p>longevity for retirement spending</p>
AVAILABILITY	<p><b>5 SMA Models</b> risk-based portfolios</p> <p><b>2 Mutual Funds</b> equity and fixed income</p>	<p><b>3 SMA Models</b> algorithm-based portfolios</p> <p><b>Mutual Fund</b> active risk mitigation</p>	<p><b>5 SMA Models</b> 3%-7% spend rate portfolios</p>
ADDITIONAL STRATEGIES		<p><b>Mutual Fund</b> active risk mitigation</p> <p><b>2 Low Vol ETFs</b> low volatility equities</p>	<p><b>Mutual Fund</b> dividend-focused</p>

**Horizon Investments is a modern, goals-based investment manager and think tank. With our focus in goals-based investment strategies, we are dedicated to helping financial advisors and their clients improve the investment experience relative to real world, prioritized financial goals.**

Founded in 1995, Horizon provided investment advice to individual clients while utilizing a process based on quantitative analysis. Today our investment process balances quantitative expertise with a qualitative perspective, including economic, fundamental and geopolitical analysis. Over 20 years we've continued to expand our investment management team to include the seasoned academics and research analysts needed to pursue forward-looking approaches to address a myriad of challenges that investors face while seeking to grow their wealth. As a result, financial advisors turn to Horizon for the innovative risk mitigation and retirement income strategies we deliver today. Rooted in a global active investment approach, the firm's **GAIN PROTECT SPEND®** framework, combined with its investment management methodology, has been a cornerstone of Horizon's portfolio construction process for over a decade.

#### Mission

Empower the advisor to help investors reach their goals

#### Core Values

Foster Unity  
Drive Ingenuity  
Build Community  
Display Gratitude  
Have Fun

#### Goals-Based

Strategies designed to accumulate, preserve and distribute wealth

## QUICK FACTS

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**1995**

Founded in 1995 and headquartered in Charlotte, North Carolina

FOCUS  
ON YOUR  
GOALS

Modern, goals-based investment manager and think tank, offering clients innovative solutions to achieve their financial goals



Sophisticated investment strategies implemented by experienced management team



An investment team comprised of experienced portfolio managers and 3 Ph.D.s



Entrenched relationships with financial advisors and broker-dealers across the nation



Robust technology offering to complement its differentiated product suite



Questions?

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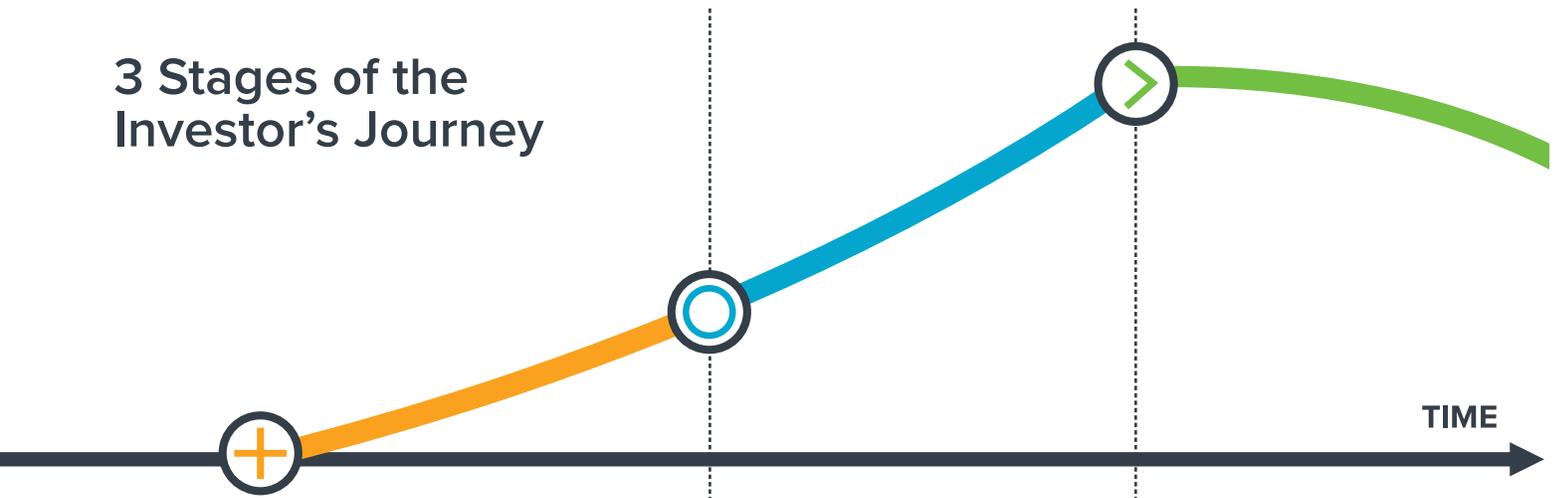
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# 3 Stages of the Investor's Journey



STAGE

**GAIN**

**PROTECT**

**SPEND**

OBJECTIVE

Accumulation of wealth

Preservation of wealth

Distribution of wealth

TYPICAL AUDIENCE

Investors beginning to save for their retirement goal

Investors approaching their retirement goal

Investors in retirement seeking income

**FAQ** "What strategy is best for a long time horizon? Active or passive?"

**FAQ** "When is the right time to get in the market?" or "Should I get out?"

**FAQ** "What do I do if I live longer?" or "Will I run out of money?"

STRATEGY

**active**  
asset allocation

**risk assist**<sup>®</sup>

**REAL SPEND**<sup>®</sup>

target growth in global markets

reduce risk when needed most

longevity for retirement spending

KEY FEATURES

-  **GLOBAL EXPOSURE**  
The ability to target more opportunities in various segments of equity markets
-  **FLEXIBLE MANDATE**  
The ability to make portfolio adjustments in order to adapt to market changes
-  **BALANCED RESEARCH**  
We screen opportunities through a balanced set of quantitative and qualitative perspectives

-  **LOSS TOLERANCE**  
The loss tolerance is the lowest drawdown that the portfolio value is designed to accommodate.
-  **RATCHETING**  
The model is designed to increase the loss tolerance limit as the portfolio value grows (typically every 3-5% of appreciation).
-  **ALGORITHM**  
In hopes to mitigate impulsive decisions based on emotion, Risk Assist<sup>®</sup> instead uses an algorithm-based approach.

-  **SPEND RESERVE**  
A multi-year reserve of liquid assets for spending on current and short-term needs and goals.
-  **INVESTMENTS**  
An investment portfolio designed to generate inflation-adjusted returns sufficient to intelligently replenish the withdrawals from the spending reserve.
-  **RISK MITIGATION**  
Includes an active risk management strategy to position investment portfolios defensively and help preserve retirement capital during sudden and severe market downturns.

AVAILABILITY

**5 SMA Models**  
risk-based portfolios

**2 Mutual Funds**  
equity and fixed income

**3 SMA Models**  
algorithm-based portfolios

**2 Mutual Funds**  
active risk mitigation

**2 Low Vol ETFs**  
low volatility equities

**5 SMA Models**  
3%-7% spend rate portfolios

**1 Mutual Fund**  
dividend-focused



# Connect with Horizon Investments

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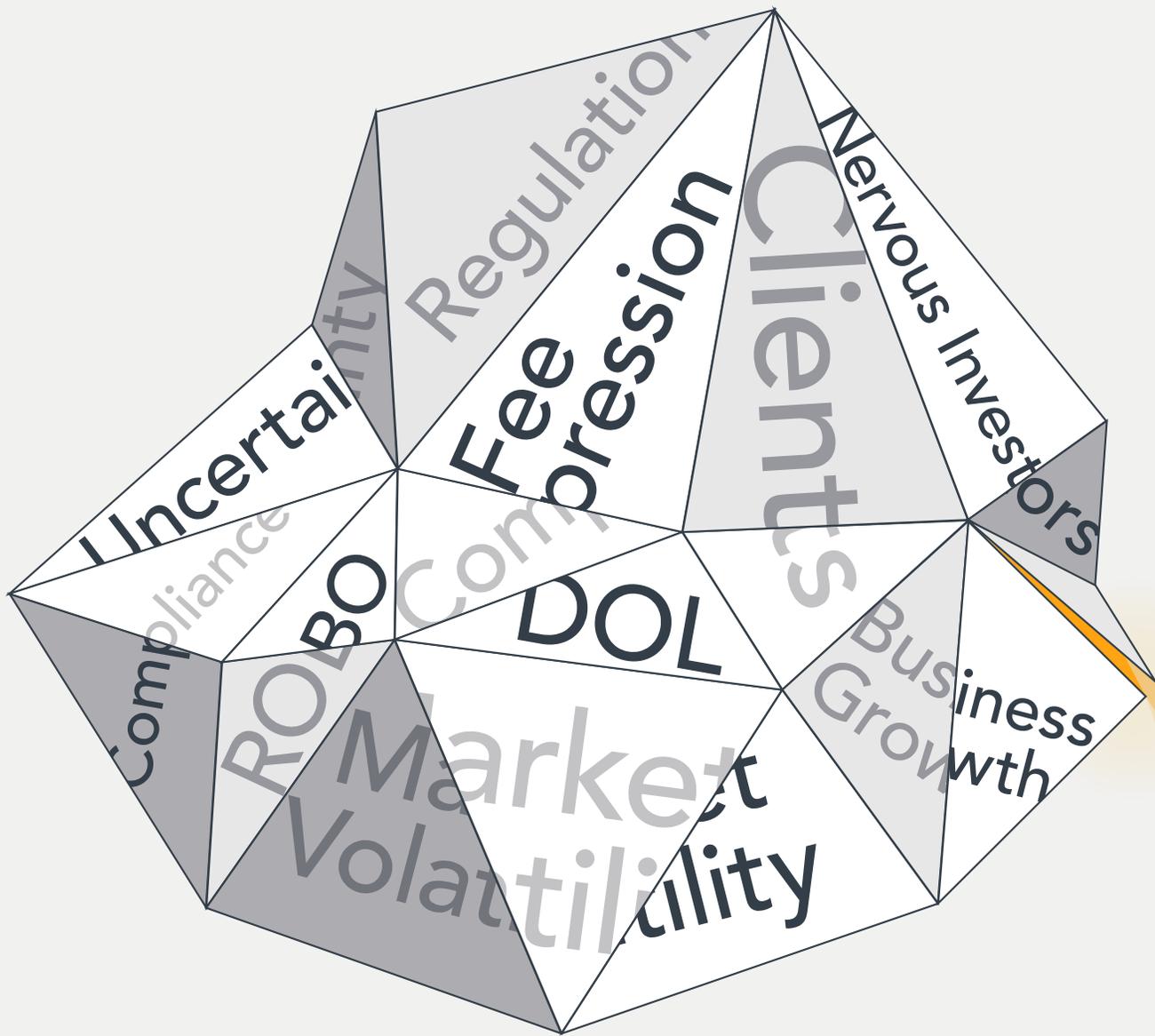
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AT EVERY ANGLE

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# COMPLEXITY

...but WAIT, there's good news. Horizon can help you  
find the beauty in this complexity.

# Our purpose is to help advisory firms manage complexity.



ADVISORY BUSINESS  
CONSULTING

Horizon Investments proudly works with advisory businesses, RIAs and family offices where the complexity of their investment, risk mitigation and practice management issues demand every minute of the day—and more.

## Why Horizon?

We have extensive experience building and managing entrepreneurial advisory businesses and the ability to provide a high level of discovery, analysis and solution development.

## What do I get?

Horizon can manage the following complexities and more:

- ▶ A Goals-Based Investment Process
- ▶ Private Label Marketing Support
- ▶ In-depth Allocation Analysis
- ▶ Underlying Fund Research & Manager Due Diligence
- ▶ Customized Investment Policy Statement
- ▶ Structured Investment Committee Meetings
- ▶ Model Performance Update

We are ready to partner with you to take many of these challenges off your shoulders—so you can find the beauty in the complexity.

Contact us at [consulting@horizoninvestments.com](mailto:consulting@horizoninvestments.com) to set up a meeting.

We're ready to listen and learn how you wish to grow your practice.

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