

## Residency Transition for Business Owners

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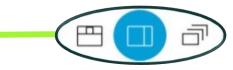
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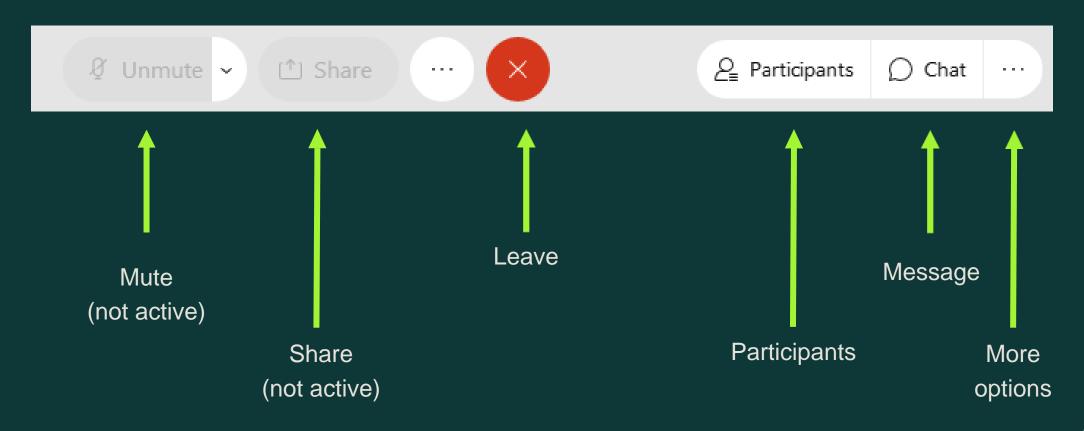


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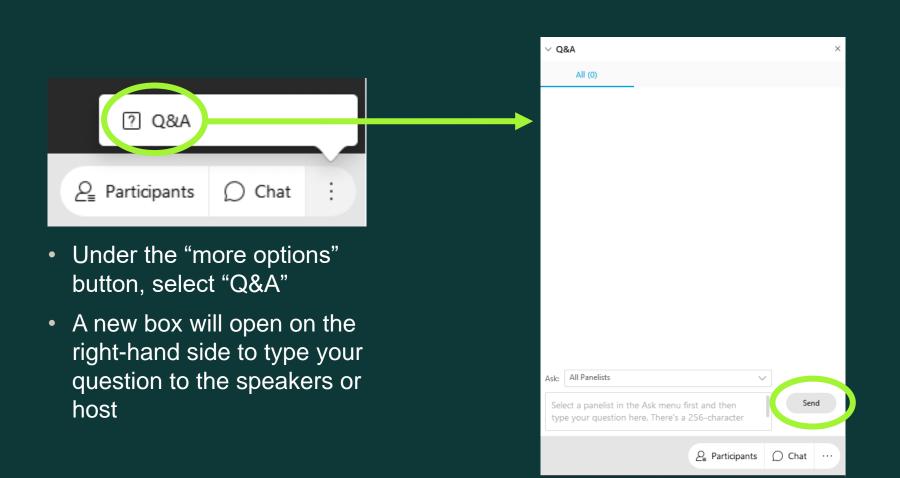
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## Agenda

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### **RESIDENCY TRANSITION PLANNING**

- Planning Approach
- Personal Considerations
- Other Considerations
  - Estate planning
  - Non-tax reasons to move

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**BUSINESS TRANSITION CONSIDERATIONS** 

### Reasons Businesses Relocate

- Overall lower cost of doing business
- Another city offers a better quality of life
- Attracting and retaining talent
- Potential sale of business or large liquidity event

- Personal financial considerations for ownership
- Business expansion/new market
- Shift to remote workforce
- Real estate costs
- Logistical advantages
- Tax credits and incentives

## Why is planning so important?



Anything worth doing is worth doing well

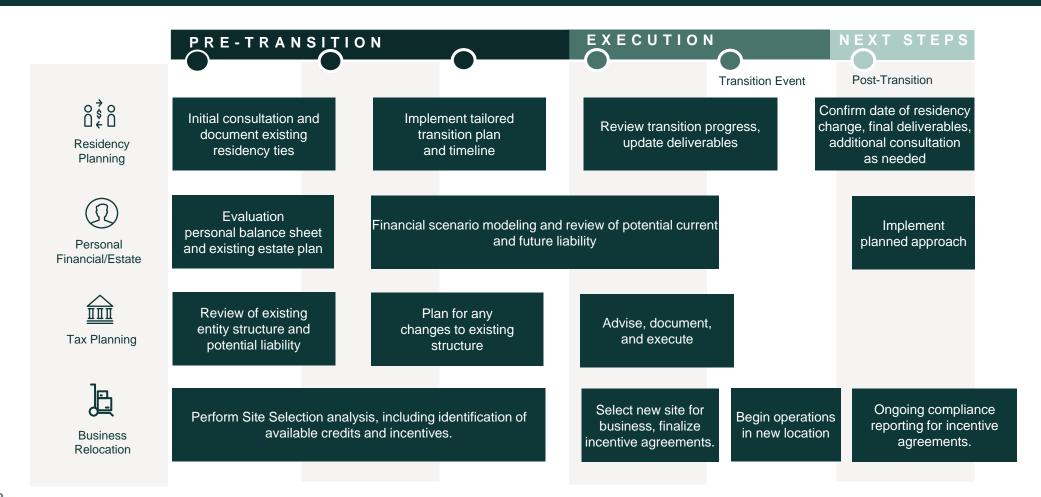


Being ready creates and protects value



Mitigate Audit risk

## Make a Plan



# **POLLING QUESTION #1**

I'm attending today's presentation on residency transition because:

- A. Recent legislative changes have accelerated my interest in moving
- B. I have my bags packed and am in the process of moving
- C. I have a potential taxable event on the horizon that I want to plan for
- D. Business climate may be better in another state



## **Residency Transition Considerations**

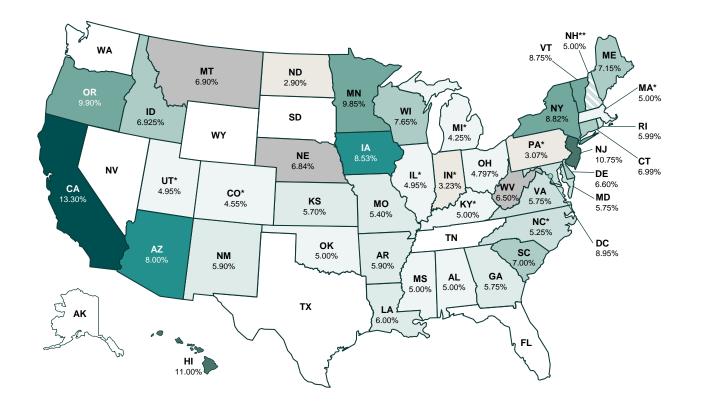
### **TRANSITION CONSIDERATIONS**

- State income tax savings
- Estate planning: multigenerational, philanthropic, estate tax savings
- Potential sale of business or large liquidity event
- Also relocating business? Consider a site selection analysis
- Review potential credits and incentives available to business



### Highest State Income Tax Rates

- 1. California 13.3% <
- 2. Hawaii 11.0%
- 3. Oregon 9.90%
- 4. Minnesota 9.85%
- 5. Iowa 8.98%
- 6. New Jersey 8.97%
- 7. District of Columbia 8.95%
- 8. New York 8.82%
- 9. Maine 7.95%





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### Important Considerations in Business & Estate Planning

- 1. Family First: the non-financial issues are often more important
- 2. Personal Financial Planning: taking care of yourselves first
- 3. Business Financial Planning: control, flexibility, "business wisdom" & cash flow
- 4. Ownership Transition Planning: the need to comply with existing business agreements and/or modify accordingly
- 5. Income tax coordination and property taxes
- 6. Separate property vs community property rules

# POLLING QUESTION #2

When was the last time you reviewed your estate plan?

- A. Within the last 6 months
- B. Within the last year
- C. Within the last 3 years
- D. Within the last 5 years
- E. Creating an estate plan is still on my to-do lists



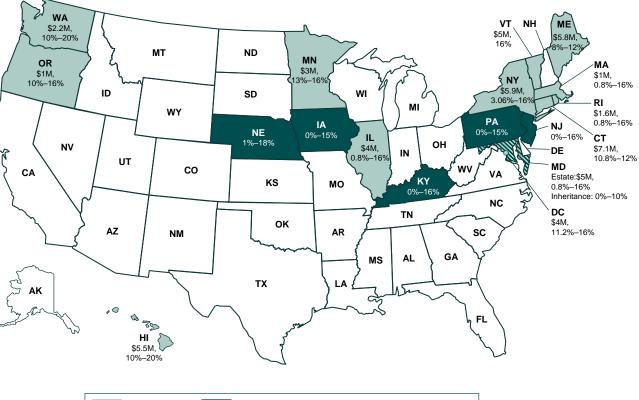


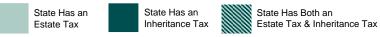
## Estate, Gift and GST Exclusions Proposals

- \$11m+ exclusion amounts scheduled to sunset on December 31, 2025
- These amounts could change sooner
  - \$3 to \$5 million per person
  - \$6 to \$10 million per couple

### Estate/Gift Tax By State

Note: Exemption amounts are shown for state estate taxes only. Inheritance taxes are levied on the posthumous transfer of assets based on the relationship to the decedent; different rates and exemptions apply depending on the relationship. CT's exclusion is scheduled to rise further, matching the federal threshold by 2023. *Source: Bloomberg Tax; state statutes* 





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Source: Tax Foundation

# Planning with Low Interest Rates & Low Valuations

- Interfamily Loans
- Gifts of FLP/LLC interests
- Outright sales to family members
- Sales to defective grantor trusts
- GRATs Grantor Retained Annuity Trusts
- Charitable Lead Trusts





## Top 5 Residency Tests

- 1. Intent
- 2. Physical Presence
- 3. Residential Property
- 4. Personal Property
- 5. Community & Social Ties



## POLLING QUESTION #3

Are you considering moving some or all business operations as part of residency transition?

A. Yes

B. No

C. Maybe



## Credits & Incentive Opportunities Related to Business Relocation

- Many state and local jurisdictions offer incentives to attract and retain businesses
- It's important to begin incentive process early to avoid losing leverage
- An incentive analysis and site selection study can be critical pieces of a residency transition plan

### Types of Incentives

### Statutory 1a: Automatic ("as of right")

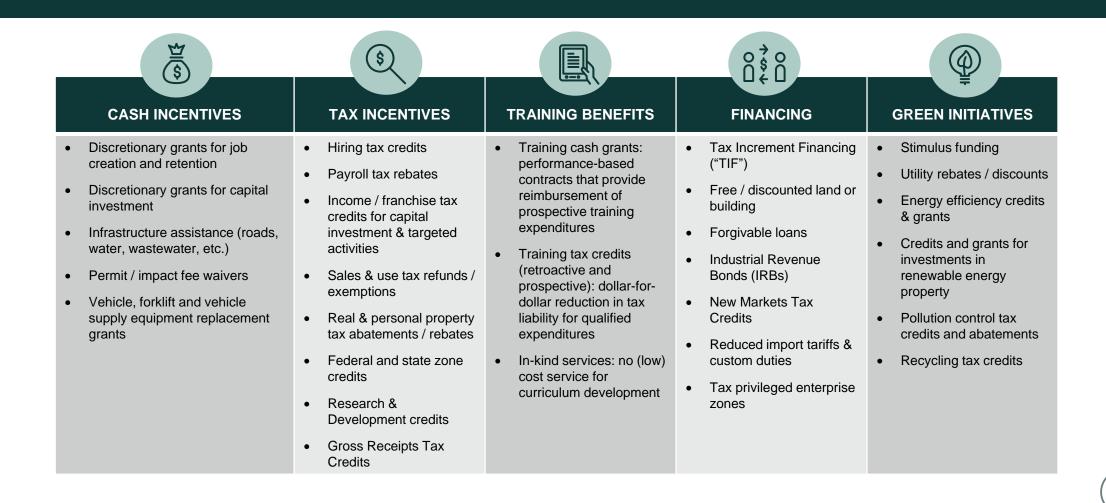
- Provided to companies "as of right" if they meet defined statutory requirements
- Pre-certification or prior approval not required

Statutory 1b: Pre-approval or Prior Certification Required

 Require companies to meet additional approval qualifications within state and local statutes and regulations Discretionary ("but for")

 Customized financial incentive packages that are negotiated with state and local government agencies

## **Examples of Incentive Opportunities**



## Benefits of a Site Selection Study



#### Workforce

- Determine costs and availability
- Quality of life
- Unemployment rates
- Degree attainment, # of colleges & universities

#### **Tax Implications**

- Assess state and local tax impact
- Better understand full cost of doing business

#### Incentives

Identify financial incentives available to offset costs

### Real Estate

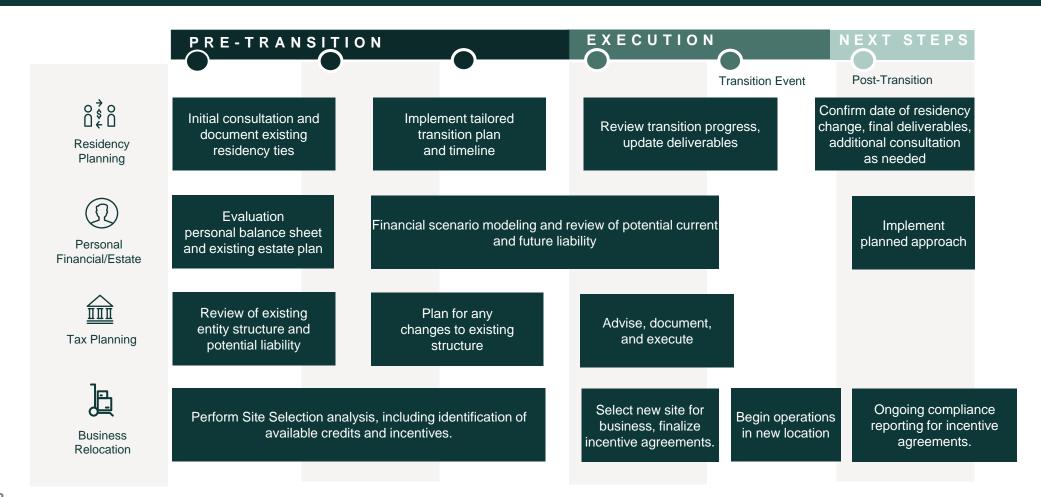
- Locate suitable space for operations
- Assess proximity to customers, suppliers, transportation hubs, etc.

### New Geography

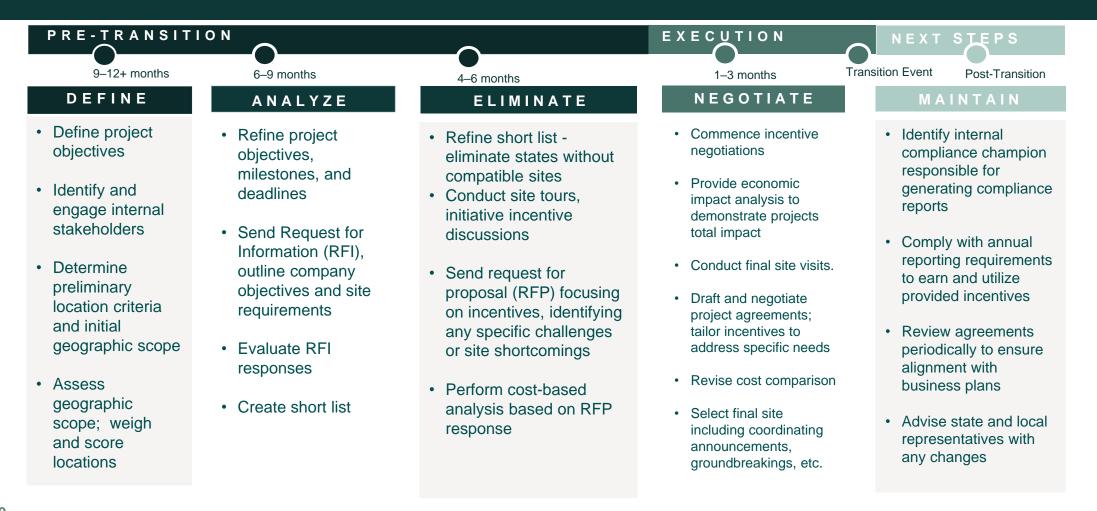
Analyze new or strategic geographic regions critical to business growth



## Make a Plan



### Site Selection Process



### Next Steps

The earlier you plan, document, structure and file, the greater your ability to create and protect value.

- Review your existing plan
- Consult with your team of advisors
- Make changes and document as necessary
- Live with peace of mind knowing you prepared adequately



## Questions? We're here to help.

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