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Procrastination never pays off when it comes to planning your estate

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Ventura financial planning firm Kipp Brant Drummond & Associates addresses urgent need for organizing holdings for future generations.

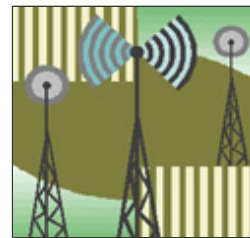
"Don't wait for a life-changing event to plan your estate, it will be too late. Preparation is vital. People should take this issue seriously, addressing it today since the future is uncertain." – Stephen J. Kipp, President, CEO and Principal Wealth Advisor at Kipp Brant Drummond & Associates

In the U.S., 70 percent of farms will transition over the next 15 years and without new farmers, the Central Coast region is likely to lose productive farms forever. Nationally, up to 400 million acres of farmland will change hands in the next 20 years. Preparing for a transition is more important than ever to ensure continued growth of this vital industry.

At Kipp Brant Drummond & Associates (KBD) based in Ventura, personal relationships and family dynamics are taken into consideration when planning estates. "Preservation of a family's wealth requires careful planning and is a vital tool for farmers and ranchers who want to retain land for future generations," says Stephen J. Kipp, President, CEO and Principal Wealth Advisor.

Estates not planned properly ahead of time may result in unintentional yet extensive costs that can be devastating to

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estates - estates that were meant to be a lasting legacy. KBD's goal is to help families make wise estate planning decisions by providing a wealth of information on tax and estate planning matters. "With one financial planning firm,

entire estates are organized and maintained so that if a drastic event occurs, family members are secure in knowing there is a sense of control over financial matters versus chaos.

If you are at all concerned about your children and future heirs, set a financial plan in motion and consolidate your wealth now. "We can help to settle estates and carry out last wishes, and really, this is what legacy planning is all about – helping families in this life and providing a guideline for future generations through a consistent and solid plan," Kipp says.

Kipp Brant Drummond & Associates in Ventura represents one of the largest, independent wealth advisory practices on the West Coast. According to Financial Advisor magazine (December 2005), it is positioned in the top one-percent nationwide by revenues and top two-percent nationwide by assets under management (AUM) out of an industry-wide 19,000 independent advisers and 600,000 brokers. The firm's five practitioners have combined professional experience exceeding 60 years.

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