How to Use The Retirement Fiscal Cliff Function for an Existing Client

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The Retirement Fiscal Cliff is a worksheet designed to quickly generate a basic structured income plan for a client. When you open it, the fields are automatically populated with data pulled directly from the client dashboard landing pages. This how-to guide will walk you through a hypothetical example, starting from the View All Cases Landing Page, to show you exactly how the tool functions.

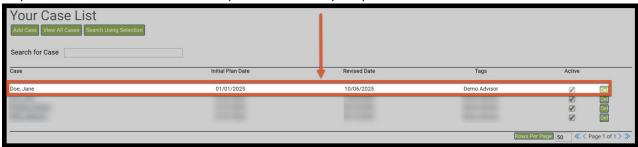
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- Replicate Discovery Data as a Planning Scenario
- How to Use The Retirement Fiscal Cliff Function for an Existing Client
- Using The Retirement Fiscal Cliff Function for a New Client

Step 1: View All Cases: Click on the green View All Cases button under the Your Case List heading.



Step 2: Case: Click on the Client account you would like to open up.



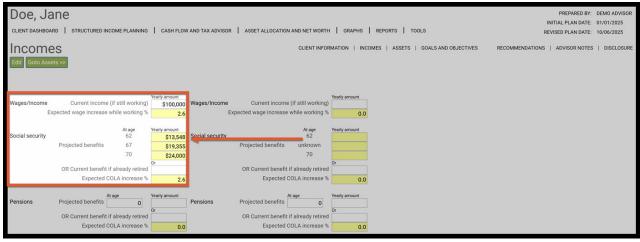
Step 3: Client Information: Note the clients initial plan age and retirement age.

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Client one	Last Doe Date of birth 01/01/1966 Current age 59	Initial plan age 59 Retirement age 70	Short name Jane Gender Female	Client two	Last Date of birth Current age 0	Initial plan age O Retirement age O	Short name Client2 Gender Female	Initial plan date Revision date Address City, State, Zip Email Phone Cell Phone Cell Phone	01/01/2025	

Step 4: GoTo Incomes: Click on the green GoTo Incomes button under the Client Information heading.

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	01/01/1966	59	Jane			0	Client2	City, State, Zip			
	Current age	Retirement age	Gender		Current age	Retirement age	Gender	Email			
	59	70	Female ~		0	0	Female ~	Phone			
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Step 5: Incomes: Note the Wages/Income and Social Security amounts.



Step 6: GoTo Assets: Click on the green GoTo Assets button under the Incomes heading.

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Wages/Income	Current income (if sti		\$100,000	Wages/Income	Current income	(if still working)	Yearly amount					
- 1	Expected wage increase while		2.6		xpected wage increase	while working %	0.0					
Social security	Projected benefits	At age Yearly 62 67 70	\$13,548 \$19,355 \$24,000	Social security	Projected benefits	At age 62 unknown 70	Yearly amount					
	OR Current benefit if alre	eady retired			OR Current benefit	if already retired	Or					
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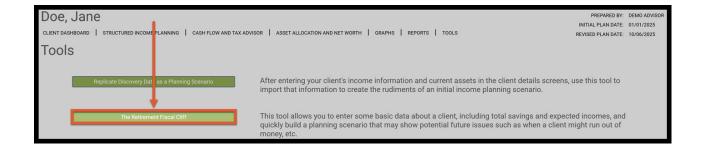
Step 7: Assets: Note the total amount of assets and an average rate of return.



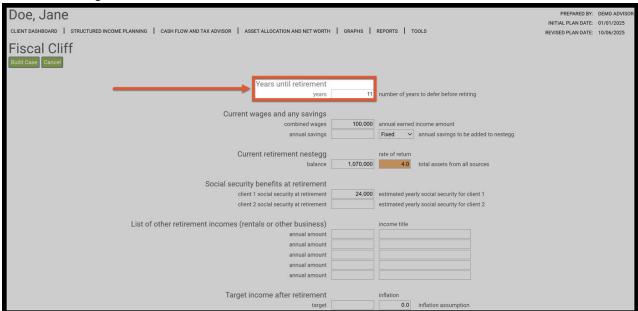
Step 8: Tools: Click on the Tools link under the Client's name.



Step 9: The Retirement Fiscal Cliff: Click on the green Retirement Fiscal Cliff button.



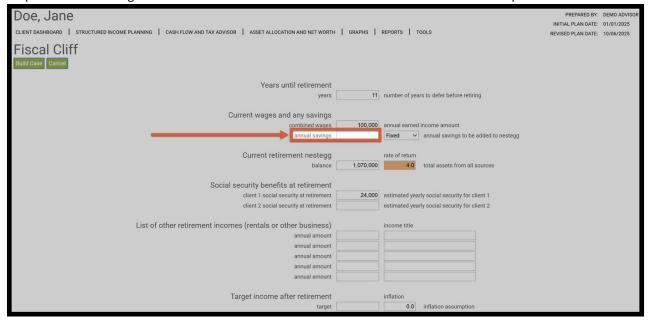
Step 10: Years Until Retirement: This number will automatically be filtered in and correlates to the initial plan age and retirement age.



Step 11: Combined Wages: This textbox correlates to the Client Dashboard Income Wages/Incomes checkbox.

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CLIENT DASHBOARD STRUCTURED INCOME PLANNING CASH FLOW AND TAX ADVISOR ASSET ALLOCATION AND NET WORTH	INITIAL PLAN DATE: 01/01/2025 H GRAPHS REPORTS TOOLS REVISED PLAN DATE: 10/06/2025
Fiscal Cliff	
Build Case Cancel	
Years until retirement	
years	11 number of years to defer before retiring
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Current wages and any savings combined wages	100,000 annual earned income amount
annual savings	
Current retirement nestegg	rate of return
balance	1,070,000 total assets from all sources
Social security benefits at retirement	
client 1 social security at retirement	24,000 estimated yearly social security for client 1
client 2 social security at retirement	estimated yearly social security for client 2
List of other retirement incomes (rentals or other business)	income title
annual amount	income title
annual amount	
Target income after retirement	inflation
target	0.0 inflation assumption

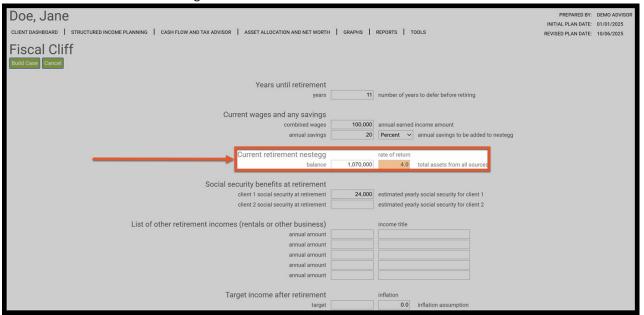
Step 12: Annual Savings Amount: This textbox correlates to the total amount that will be deposited into the assets.



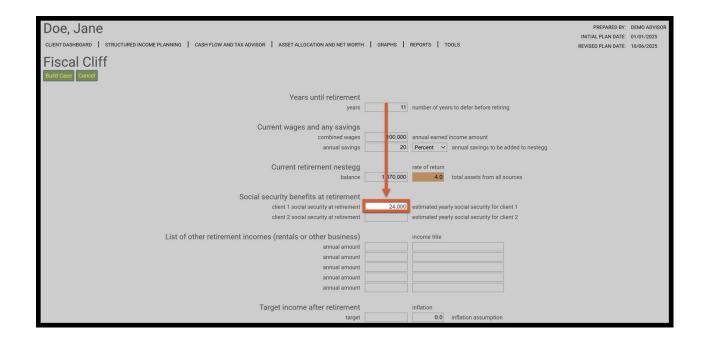
Step 13: Annual Savings To Be Added To NestEgg: Select the caret to pick if you would like the amount to be shown as a monetary amount or a fixed percentage that will be deposited into the total assets amount.

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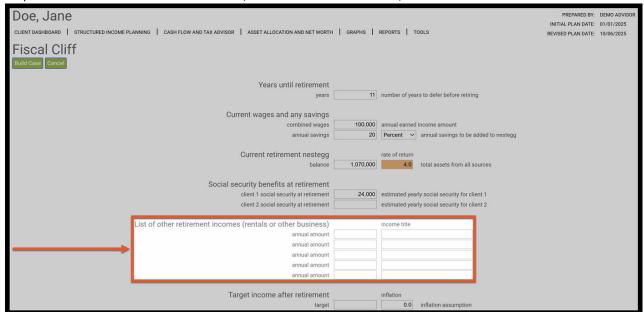
Step 14: Current Retirement NestEgg Balance: This textbox will automatically be filtered in with the total amount of the current assets and the average rate of return for all the assets.



Step 15: Social Security Benefits at Retirement: This textbox will automatically be filtered in with the social security amount that was filtered in on the Client Dashboard Income page.



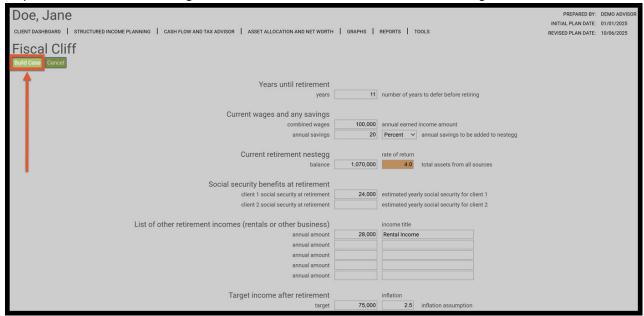
Step 16: List of Other Retirement Incomes (Rentals and Other Business): Enter in the data for this section.



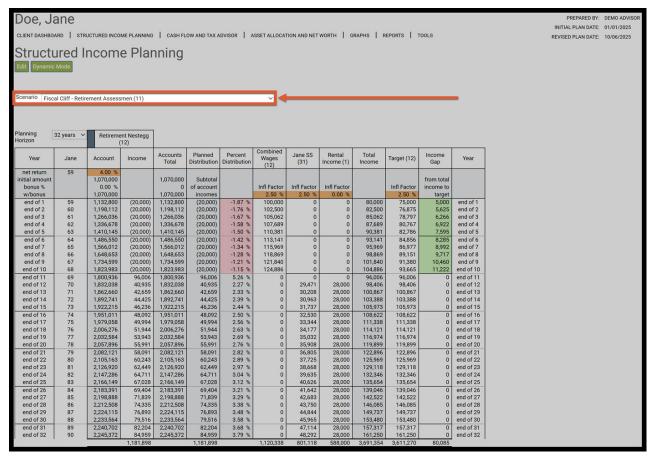
Step 17: Target Income After Retirement: Enter in the target income and inflation assumption.

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Years until retirement				
years	11	number of years to defer before retiring		
Current wages and any savings				
combined wages	100,000	annual earned income amount		
annual savings	20	Percent v annual savings to be added to nestegg		
Current retirement nestegg		rate of return		
balance	1,070,000	4.0 total assets from all sources		
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Client 2 social security at retirement		estimated yearly social security for client 2		
List of other retirement incomes (rentals or other business)		income title		
annual amount	28,000	Rental Income		
annual amount				
Target income after retirement		inflation		
target		0.0 inflation assumption		

Step 18: Build Case: Click on the green Build Case Button under the Fiscal Cliff heading.



Step 19: Scenario: You will automatically be taken to the Structured Income Planning Page after a new planning scenario is created.



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