

## **What Is Life Insurance?**

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Life insurance is a contract between you and an insurance company. In exchange for your premium payments, the life insurance company will pay a lump sum known as a death benefit to your beneficiaries after your death, as long as your policy is in force. If you have permanent life insurance, there may be a cash value component, too.

## **What Is Life Insurance Used For?**

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Life insurance beneficiaries can use the money paid out by a policy for whatever purpose they choose. Often this includes:

- Paying for living expenses that were previously covered by the insured person's income.
- Paying off credit card bills, medical bills, mortgages or car loan balances.
- Paying for funeral and final expense costs.
- Funding childrens' college tuition and expenses.

Having the safety net of life insurance can ensure that your family can stay in their home and pay for their wants and needs.

## **How Does Life Insurance Work?**

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Life insurance works by providing your beneficiaries with a death benefit payout if you die, but only if your policy is in-force when you pass away—meaning you have paid the required premiums while you're alive. The death benefit can be used for any purpose your beneficiaries choose.

Before you enter into a life insurance contract, the life insurance company will determine your required premiums. There are several factors that affect life insurance quotes, including:

Life Amount	Age 20-25	Age 30-35	Age 40-45	Age 50-55
100k	\$7	\$8	\$9	\$16
200k	\$8	\$9	\$11	\$25
300k	\$9	\$10	\$14	\$27
400k	\$10	\$11	\$16	\$34
500k	\$12	\$15	\$19	\$42
1Mil	\$15	\$20	\$31	\$73

Rates are based on each individual smoker/non-smoker, age and health status. All rates are subject to underwriting.