

Press Release

Guardian Capital LP aims to revolutionize retirement with first-of-their-kind solutions, including a uniquely modern tontine

GuardPath[™] Longevity Solutions, created in partnership with Professor Moshe A. Milevsky, PhD, are designed to address what Nobel Laureate Economist William Sharpe has described as the "nastiest, hardest problem in finance" ¹

TORONTO, September 7, 2022 – Today, Guardian Capital LP (Guardian Capital) took a ground-breaking step, aiming to solve the misalignment between human and portfolio longevity with the launch of GuardPath™ Longevity Solutions.

Professor Milevsky, recognized globally for his thought leadership in both retirement and portfolio longevity, played an instrumental role in building these solutions, which seek to ensure retirees have enough income to meet their current needs while not outliving their nest egg.

As the author of 17 books (including his most recent: *How to Build a Modern Tontine*) and over 66 peer-reviewed papers and hundreds of articles, Professor Milevsky's expertise was essential to designing this transformational suite of investment solutions for Canadian investors, which strive to alleviate the widespread fear of running out of money in retirement.

"I'm so proud to be part of these made-in-Canada solutions, which address the biggest risks facing retirees and are among the first of their kind globally," says Professor Milevsky. "Based on hundreds of years of research and improvement and backed by Guardian Capital's 60-year reputation for doing what's right for Canadian investors, I am confident these solutions will revolutionize the retirement space."

The Solutions

- ➤ GuardPathTM Managed Decumulation 2042 Fund: This solution is one of the first in Canada specifically designed to optimize the utility of invested capital during retirement. It seeks to deliver attractive and steady cash flow over a 20-year period through sophisticated risk management techniques aimed at extending portfolio longevity.
- ➤ **GuardPath**TM **Modern Tontine 2042 Trust:** The first investment solution of its kind in Canada seeking to deliver financial security to retirees in their later years of life, that aims to provide significant payouts to surviving unitholders in 20 years based on compound growth and the pooling of survivorship credits.
- ➤ **Hybrid Tontine Series:** Combines the strengths of the GuardPathTM Managed Decumulation and the GuardPathTM Modern Tontine to offer a holistic solution for the entirety of retirement. This first-of-its-kind solution is specifically designed to:
 - Optimize the utility of invested capital during retirement through steady cash flow for 20 years.
 - Provide significant payouts to surviving unitholders in 20 years.

¹ Ritholtz, B., "Tackling the 'Nastiest, Hardest Problem in Finance", An Interview with William Sharpe, Bloomberg Opinion, June 5, 2017. https://www.bloomberg.com/opinion/articles/2017-06-05/tackling-the-nastiest-hardest-problem-in-finance

"For too many years, Canadian retirees have feared outliving the nest egg they have worked so hard to create," said Barry Gordon, Managing Director, Head of Canadian Retail Asset Management, Guardian Capital. "GuardPathTM Longevity Solutions are our answer to that concern. We have created three unique, innovative solutions to help investors choose the option that fits them best. We designed these solutions from their point of view and aim to alleviate their greatest financial fears."

To do so, Guardian Capital needed to look to the future while leveraging the past. This meant creating a uniquely modern approach to the tontine, which, for hundreds of years, was one of the most popular financial products for individuals who were willing to trade off legacy for more income.

"With our modern tontine, investors concerned about outliving their nest egg pool their assets and are entitled to their share of the pool as it winds up 20 years from now," says Mr. Gordon. "Over that 20-year period, we seek to grow the invested capital as much as possible to maximize the longevity payout. Along the way, investors that redeem early or pass away leave a portion of their assets in the pool to the benefit of surviving unitholders, boosting the rate of return. All surviving unitholders in 20 years will participate in any growth in the tontine's assets, generated from compound growth and the pooling of survivorship credits. This payout can be used to fund their later years of life as they see fit, and aims to ensure that investors don't outlive their investment portfolio."

With the number of persons aged 85 and older having doubled since 2001, and projections suggesting this number could triple by 2046,² Guardian Capital set out to create innovative solutions that this demographic could utilize when seeking a greater sense of financial security.

"Guardian has spent six decades focused on placing the needs of our clients and investors first," said George Mavroudis, President & CEO, Guardian Capital Group Limited. "GuardPath™ Longevity Solutions embody this focus by seeking to provide retirees with enhanced comfort in their financial situation as they enjoy the next decades of their life, aiming to alleviate the worry about whether their money will allow them to do so."

Visit guardpath.ca to learn more about how Guardian Capital aims to revolutionize retirement.

About Guardian Capital LP

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² Statistics Canada, "A portrait of Canada's growing population aged 85 and older from the 2021 Census:", April 27, 2022. https://www12.statcan.gc.ca/census-recensement/2021/as-sa/98-200-X/2021004/98-200-X2021004-eng.cfm

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