Why you should get around to drawing up a will

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No one likes to think about dying — and that is probably one reason most Americans lack wills.

Fewer than half of American adults (42 percent) have a will, according to a survey published this week on Caring.com, a website that offers resources for older Americans and their caregivers.

The most common excuse given for not having a will (or an alternative legal tool called a living trust) was, "I just haven't gotten around to it," cited by nearly half of survey participants who lacked one.

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