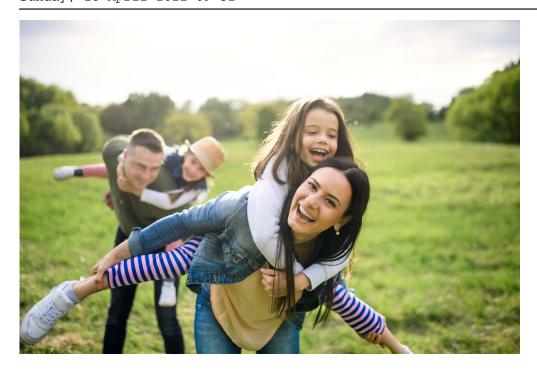
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The rollercoaster ride known as the coronavirus pandemic is coming to an end. Vaccinations safeguard more than half the population and new case statistics start to decline. As the world moves towards some sense of normalcy, the pandemic left behind several problems and uncertainties. For parents, not knowing what lies ahead adds to their apprehension as they strive to protect their children during these trying times.

The pandemic may have left a mess in its path, but there's a lot that can be learned. Moms wishing to improve the security, stability, and safety of their families should take heed to these lessons.

### Life Is Precious (But Not Certain)

One of the first things the pandemic taught us is that nothing is guaranteed. People from all ages, ethnicities, and health statuses fell victim to the coronavirus. Unfortunately, some weren't able to overcome the battle, leaving their families behind. Though the hope is that the threat will subside, you don't want to take any chances.

Moms should start shopping around for an affordable life insurance premium to protect their family. If the worst should happen, this policy provides financial relief for your children and their legal guardians. Evaluate how much insurance your kids would need to live a happy life and take out a policy to ensure it happens.

## **Take Care Of Your Health**

At the onset of the coronavirus, people thought it was nothing more than the flu. Then, it was believed that people with existing medical conditions or over the age of 50 were at the highest risk. It wasn't long before all of these assumptions were debunked and anyone could contract this potentially life-altering virus.

If you were to learn anything from the first few months of the coronavirus pandemic, it's the importance of taking care of your health. While you can't always avoid contracting something, how quickly you recover relies significantly on your body's ability to fight off attacks. So, start eating more nutritious meals and exercising several times a week to protect yourself and your family from the coronavirus or any other threats.

### **Build A Stockpile**

When the national health crisis was declared, citizens went crazy buying everything from household cleaning supplies to groceries. The idea was to have enough things in your home to survive the lockdown. It took a while for retailers to rebuild their inventory, leaving families without essentials like toilet paper and flour. Not to mention, the rise in unemployment rates made it challenging for parents to keep food on the table.

No mother wants to be without the basics she needs to care for her kids. Therefore, you should start <u>building a stockpile</u>. Ideally, you want to have at least a month's worth of food, household cleaning supplies, and first-aid products at home. That way if there's a shortage or you lose your job, you have time to figure out your next steps while still providing for your family.

#### **Boost Your Emergency Savings**

The coronavirus pandemic didn't just hurt the global economy, it also harmed personal finances. People had to cash out their emergency savings, take out loans, and even max out credit cards to survive. Though things are starting to look up, you never know when the next

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emergency might strike.

Now is the perfect time to boost your emergency savings. Every mom should have a rainy day fund she can turn to when times get hard. It should have at least three to six month's worth of expenses. Whether you use your income tax return, crunch numbers in your budget, or get a <u>side gig</u>, start adding extra money to an interest-bearing account.

The idea of a post-pandemic world sounds great, but the apprehension is very real. There's still so much left to resolve and so much unknown, that people should be prepared for anything. As a mother, protecting your family is your top priority. So, do yourself and your family a favor and learn from the past year by creating a plan to protect the ones you love from whatever happens next.