

# LADY BIRD DEEDS AND HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE



Though Lady Bird deeds work great for many situations involving the family home, one drawback involves homeowner's insurance. With a Lady Bird deed, upon your death, your beneficiaries automatically own your home. But chances are the homeowner's policy is only in your name, and it won't cover a loss (like a fire) once you've died and the home has changed ownership. To avoid this situation, we recommend that when you use a Lady Bird deed for your home, you should contact your insurance agent and let them know that your home will go to your beneficiaries upon your death. Ask your agent to add their names as additional insureds under your policy. That way, at least for a period of time after your death, they will have coverage until they can get their own homeowner's policy. Or at least be sure to remind your beneficiaries to be sure they get a homeowner's policy as soon as possible once you have passed away.



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