

Town of Glastonbury DC Plans



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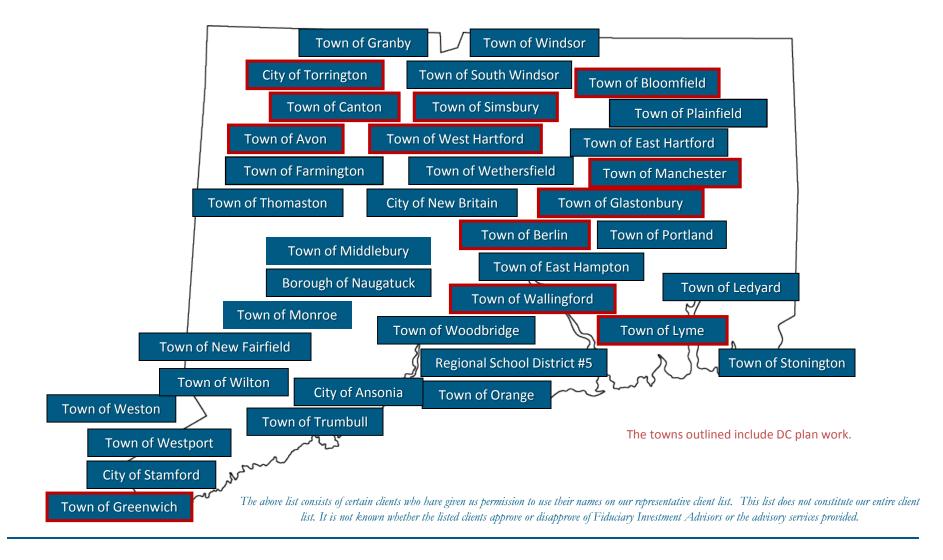
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CT Public Fund Experience





Background to Retirement Plan Changes



- In recent years, Federal regulation over retirement plans has evolved and imposed a higher level of responsibility on retirement plans (like the Town of Glastonbury's).
- Sponsors of retirement plans may be subject to fiduciary responsibilities and should act in the best interest of participants. These responsibilities can include:
 - Selecting and monitoring plan investments;
 - Assessing and monitoring the reasonableness of retirement plan fees;
 - Monitoring communication and educational services

Description of The Review Process



 FIA conducted an extensive review of the retirement Plan, evaluating the ICMA plan on multiple factors which included, but were not limited to:

Investment menu design

- Benchmarking
- Asset class review
- Industry best practices
- ■Behavioral Finance

Investment performance

■ FIA Manager due diligence process

Investment, plan and related fees

- •Full fee disclosure analysis and benchmarking
- Vendor fees

Platform capabilities

- Technology
- Flexibility

Service model

- Participant education/communication
- Plan Sponsor (administrative assistance)

Overall competitiveness

•Ability to meet the needs of the plan participants and beneficiaries

Investment Evaluation and On-Going Review



- ✓ Organization The investment firm must be financially and structurally sound and have the financial, operational and personnel resources to carry out its strategy. There should be no legal or regulatory proceedings surrounding the firm. The firm must have an appropriate compensation structure and demonstrate a passion for investing.
- ✓ **Philosophy** The investment manager must have a clearly defined and disciplined investment philosophy that is based on sound investment theory, which is followed consistently and with conviction.
- ✓ **Investment Process** The methods and procedures an investment manager uses to apply his philosophy constitutes the investment process. It is important that the manager's techniques for selecting and selling securities be sound, consistent and research intensive.
- ✓ Style Consistency The investment manager is expected to adhere to his particular investment style, despite prevailing market sentiment.
- ✓ Personnel The investment firm's professionals need to be skilled, experienced, properly credentialed and knowledgeable.
- ✓ **Quality of Research** The investment firm's research team must have the capacity and resources to evaluate and track the full universe of investment opportunities defined by its investment philosophy. The staff must possess extensive knowledge of the companies and particular securities being researched.
- ✓ Performance The investment manager must successfully demonstrate an ability to identify investment opportunities (their "edge"). The manager should demonstrate competitive long term performance as compared to a relevant benchmark and peer group.
- ✓ **Risk Controls** Strong consideration is given to risk-adjusted performance. The investment manager must implement appropriate risk controls, commensurate with their philosophy and process.
- ✓ **Operations** A system of operational policies, procedures, and risk controls must be in place. The firm should have contingency plans to control organizational risks, such as a physical disaster recovery plan.



1: Your Investment Options

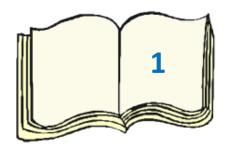
2: Investing Essentials

3: Planning and Resources





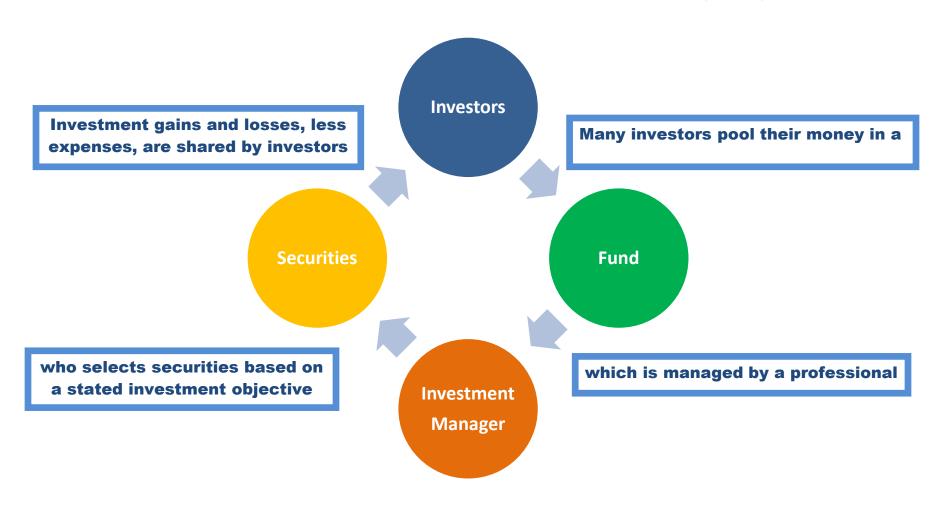




Your Investment Options

What is a Mutual Fund?

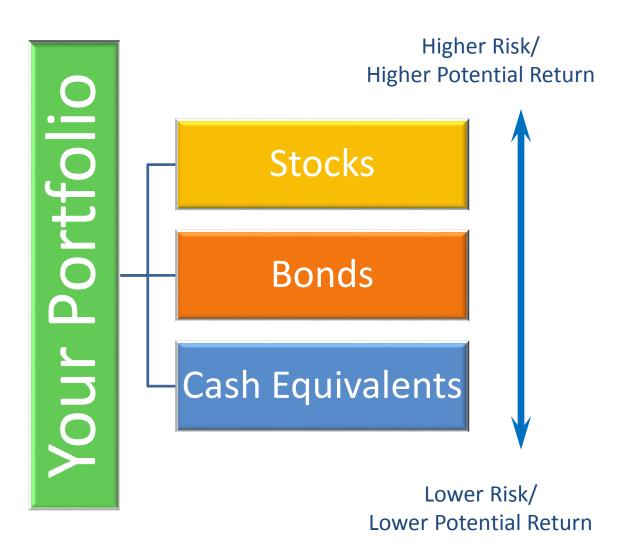




Risk and Reward

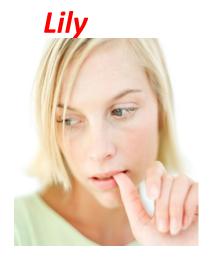


All investments involve risk...learning the basics is necessary to investing carefully and appropriately



Making Your Investment Selections





Happy to leave investing to a professional Looking for a simple investment for long-term savings Does not want to worry about allocation and rebalancing

Sophie

...should consider a Target Date Fund



Enjoys learning about different investments
Reviews her statements and monitors her allocation
Wants control over how account is invested and allocated

...should consider building her own portfolio

What is a Target Date Fund?



All-in-one investment made up of mutual funds

Asset mix based on a specific target retirement date or age

Becomes more conservative over time

Select fund closest to when you plan to retire

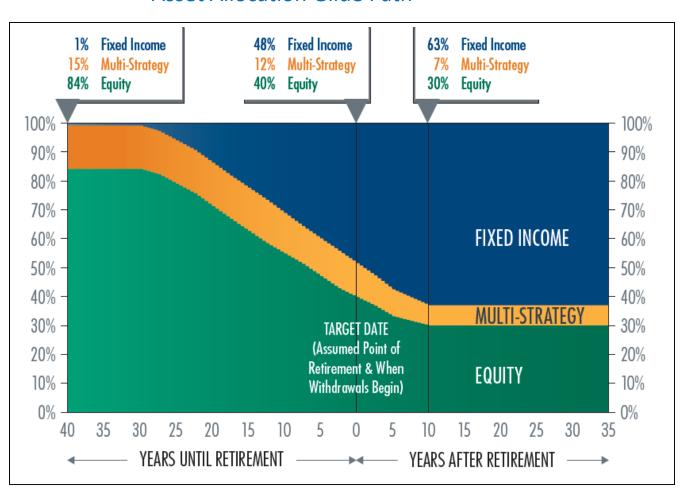
There are no guarantees



Vantagepoint Target Date Funds



Asset Allocation Glide Path



Target Date Funds*



1975

65

2040

Lower Risk Target Date Fund Name Birth Year Vantagepoint Milestone Retirement Income Vantagepoint Milestone 2010 Vantagepoint Milestone 2020 **Planned Retirement** Age Vantagepoint Milestone 2025 Vantagepoint Milestone 2030 Vantagepoint Milestone 2035 **Expected Retirement** Vantagepoint Milestone 2040 **Date** Vantagepoint Milestone 2045 **Higher Risk** Vantagepoint Milestone 2050

^{*}Target date funds can have substantial stock market exposure; all investments are subject to volatility and risk of loss.



Building Your Own Portfolio

Index Investing



Index funds attempt to replicate an existing market "index" -- an imaginary portfolio of securities in a particular market segment that is used to benchmark performance

- S&P 500[®]
- Dow Jones Industrial Average (DJIA)

Pros

Each index fund offers *diversified* holdings

Passive investing means less research and trading, *lower fees* and expenses

Seeks *average* performance

<u>Cons</u>

But, the *need for asset allocation* remains

It also means there is *no active* securities selection based on risk, valuation or growth potential

Not likely to *outperform*

Your Current Investment Menu



Money Mkt /	SV Fixed Income	Balanced		Domestic Equity		Intl /Global	Other
			<u>Large Value</u>	<u> Large Blend</u>	Large Growth		
VT PLUS Fund	d Vantagepoint Core Bond Index	VantageTrust Fidelity Puritan	Vantagepoint Equity Income	Vantagepoint 500 Stock Index	Vantagepoint Growth	Vantagepoint International	VantageTrust Nuveen Real
VT Cash Managemen	t VantageTrust Western Asset	Vantagepoint Conservative	VantageTrust Invesco Diversified Dividend	Vantagepoint Broad Market Index	VantageTrust Fidelity Contrafund	VantageTrust Harbor International	Estate Secs
Certificate of Deposit		Growth	VantageTrust Allianz	Vantagepoint Growth	VantageTrust T.	VantageTrust Fidelity	
VantageTrus Retirement	Vantagepoint Inflation Focused	Vantagepoint Trad Growth	NFJ Dividend Value	& Income VantageTrust	Rowe Price Growth Stock	Diversified International	
Income Advantage	VantageTrust PIMCO High	Vantagepoint Long- Term Growth		Parnassus Core Equity		Vantagepoint Overseas Equity Index	4
	Yield	Vantagepoint All Equity Growth		VantageTrust Oppenheimer Main Street			
		Suite of	Mid Value	Mid Blend	Mid Growth		
		Vantagepoint Milestone Funds	Vantagepoint Select Value	Vantagepoint Mid/Small Company Index	Vantagepoint Aggressive Ops		
			VantageTrust Goldman Sachs Mid Cap Value	muex	VantageTrust AMG Timesquare Mid Cap Gr		
					VantageTrust Harbor Mid Cap Growth		
Index funds sho	wn in green		Small Value	Small Blend	Small Growth		
			VantageTrust T. Rowe Price Small Cap Value	Vantagepoint Discovery	VantageTrust Oppenheimer Discovery		

Your New Investment Menu

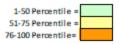


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VT PLUS Fund VantageTrust Retirement Income	Core Bond Index Conserv Grow VantageTrust Western Asset Vantagepo	Vantagepoint Conservative Growth Vantagepoint Trad	VantageTrust Invesco Diversified Dividend	Vantagepoint 500 Stock Index	VantageTrust T. Rowe Price Growth Stock	· antage mast	VantageTrust Nuveen Real Estate Secs
Advantage	Core Plus Bond Vantagepoint Inflation Focused	Growth Vantagepoint Long- Term Growth Vantagepoint All Equity Growth	Mid Value Victory Sycamore Established Value	Mid Blend Vantagepoint Mid/Small Company Index	Mid Growth VantageTrust AMG Timesquare Mid Cap Gr		
		Suite of Vantagepoint Milestone Funds	Small Value American Beacon Small Cap Value	Small Blend	Small Growth Eagle Small Cap Growth		

Index funds shown in green

Investment Evaluation and On-Going Review As of 12/31/15





Fund Name	QTR	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Vantagepoint Growth Investor	8.0	4.3	15.3	11.0	5.8
Russell 1000 Growth Index	7.3	5.7	16.8	13.5	8.5
IM U.S. Large Cap Growth Equity (MF) Rank	41	63	68	79	92
T. Rowe Price Growth Stock Adv	8.5	10.6	18.6	14.3	8.9
Russell 1000 Growth Index	7.3	5.7	16.8	13.5	8.5
IM U.S. Large Cap Growth Equity (MF) Rank	26	8	14	14	15

	QTR	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Vantagepoint Growth & Income	5.3	-0.3	13.9	11.3	6.9
S&P 500 Index	7.0	1.4	15.1	12.6	7.3
IM U.S. Large Cap Core Equity (MF) Rank	81	48	41	42	33
Vantagepoint 500 Stock Index II	7.1	1.2	14.9	12.4	7.1
S&P 500 Index	7.0	1.4	15.1	12.6	7.3
IM U.S. Large Cap Core Equity (MF) Rank	23	28	19	19	27

	QTR	1	3	5	10
	QII.	Year	Years	Years	Years
Vantagepoint Aggressive Opportunities	3.7	-2.4	12.4	8.0	6.4
Russell Midcap Growth Index	4.1	-0.2	14.9	11.5	8.2
IM U.S. Mid Cap Growth Equity (MF) Rank	40	70	62	81	71
AMG Timesquare Mid Cap Growth Premier	2.7	0.5	13.0	10.8	8.7
Russell Midcap Growth Index	4.1	-0.2	14.9	11.5	8.2
IM U.S. Mid Cap Growth Equity (MF) Rank	57	44	56	35	20

Explanation of Category rankings: Percentile rankings are on a scale of 1 to 100, with a rank of 1 (1st percentile) being the best and 100 (100th percentile) being the worst. Rankings relate to net of fee returns for each fund in its respective Lipper peer group. Due to statistical requirements, investment versus peer group rankings will not populate if peer groups contain less than 10 members. Returns for periods less than one year are not annualized

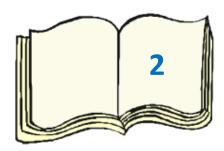
¹ Source: Lipper Analytical Services

What will happen

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Current Fund		Fund it will be mapped to
VT Cash Management –		VT Plus Fund
VT PIMCO High Yield -	→	Vantagepoint Milestone Funds
VT Fidelity Puritan	→	Vantagepoint Milestone Funds
Vantagepoint Equity Income -	→	VT Invesco Diversified Dividend
VT Allianz NFJ Dividend Value	→	VT Invesco Diversified Dividend
Vantagepoint Broad Market Index -	→	Vantagepoint 500 Stock Index
Vantagepoint Growth & Income -		Vantagepoint 500 Stock Index
VT Parnassus Core Equity	→	Vantagepoint 500 Stock Index
VT Oppenheimer Main Street –		Vantagepoint 500 Stock Index
Vantagepoint Growth		VT T. Rowe Price Growth Stock
VT Fidelity Contrafund –		VT T. Rowe Price Growth Stock
Vantagepoint Select Value –		Victory Sycamore Established Value
VT Goldman Sachs Mid Cap Value –		Victory Sycamore Established Value
Vantagepoint Aggressive Ops –		VT AMG Timesquare Mid Cap Growth
VT Harbor Mid Cap Growth	──	VT AMG Timesquare Mid Cap Growth
VT T. Rowe Price Small Cap Value -	──	American Beacon Small Cap Value
Vantagepoint Discovery -		Vantagepoint Mid/Small Company Index
VT Oppenheimer Discovery -	→	Eagle Small Cap Growth
Vantagepoint International		VT Harbor International
VT Fidelity Diversified International	→	VT Harbor International





Investing Essentials

Have a Plan for Any Market



- Establish savings goals and target dates
- Start saving as early as you can to take advantage of compounding
- Revisit the amount of cash you have on hand for unplanned expenses or emergencies
- Review insurance coverage and annual credit report to protect what you have
- Designate beneficiaries and have important personal documents (will, guardian, durable POA, health care proxy and directives)

What Can I Do To Manage Volatility?



- Maintain a long-term perspective
- Save and invest regularly
- Understand your real risk tolerance
 - Will help select the appropriate asset allocation for you
- Diversify your portfolio
- Re-balance periodically



Investment Strategy #1 Maintain A Long-Term Perspective



Don't try to time the market

May have significant negative effect

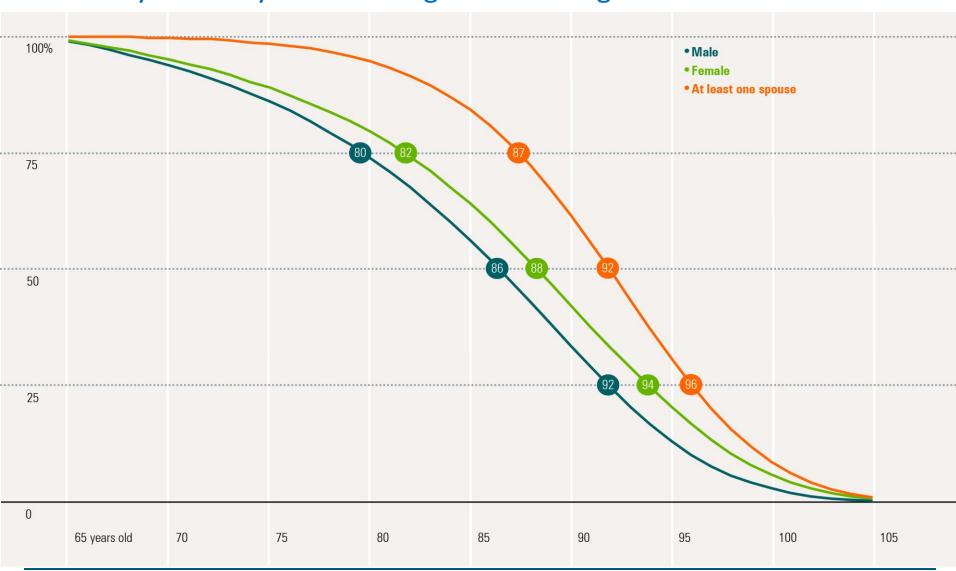
Extremely difficult to do consistently

Risks generally outweigh any potential rewards



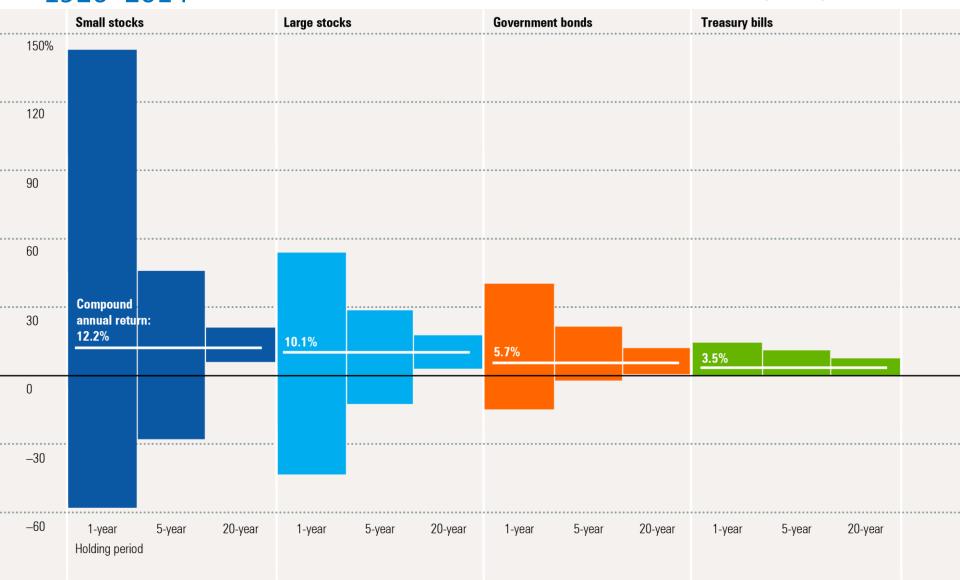
Retirees Should Plan for a Long Retirement Probability of a 65-year-old living to various ages





Reduction of Risk Over Time 1926–2014







The Importance of Staying Invested Ending wealth values after a market decline



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Investment Strategy #2 Invest In Good Times and In Bad



Invest Regularly

Dollar Cost Averaging

Month	Amount Invested	Price Per Share	Shares Purchased		
January	\$100	\$ 10.00	10	The ave	
February	\$100	\$ 8.00	12.5	per sh	
March	\$100	\$ 5.00	20	\$7	
April	\$100	\$ 7.00	14.3	(a diffe	
May	\$100	\$ 8.00	12.5	.44 pe	
June	\$100	\$10.00	10		
TOTAL	\$600	\$ 8.00 (avg.)	79.3		

he average cost per share was \$7.56

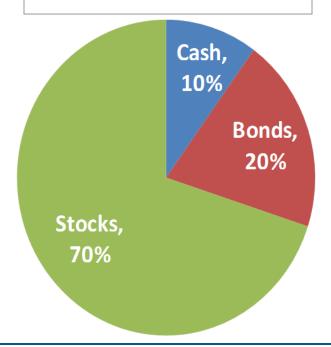
a difference of .44 per share)

Investment Strategy #3 Asset Allocation & Diversification



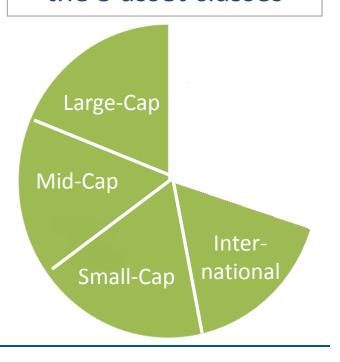
Asset allocation

How you spread your money *among* the 3 asset classes



Diversification

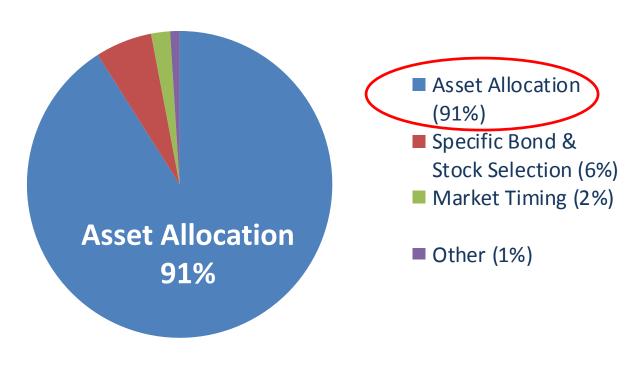
How you spread your money within each of the 3 asset classes



Asset Allocation



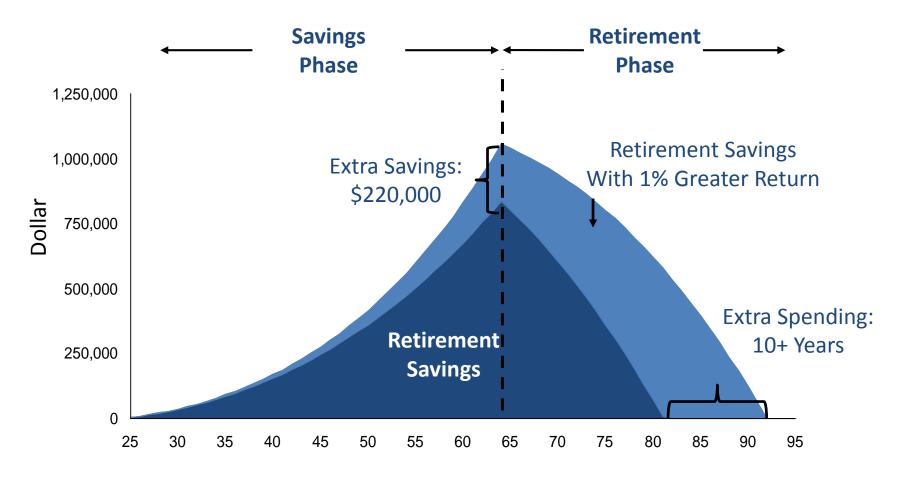
The One Factor That Most Influences Your Return



Source: Brinson, Singer, Beebower

1% Greater Return 10 Extra Years of Spending





Results are simulated. **This is a hypothetical illustration** only and its results are not indicative of any specific investment, including any AllianceBernstein mutual fund. The savings phase simulates a defined contribution participant salary of \$45,000 at age 25, linearly increasing to \$85,000 by age 65, making yearly contributions of 6% of salary at age 25 increasing by 0.5% per year to a maximum 10% with a 50% company matching contribution up to the first 6% of salary. In the spending phase, \$63,750 (75% of final salary) is deducted at the beginning of each year. A yearly investment return of 9% is assumed at age 25, linearly decreasing to 6% at age 80 and remaining constant thereafter. In the "1% Greater Return Scenario" a yearly investment return of 10% is assumed at age 25, linearly decreasing to 7% at age 85 and remaining constant thereafter. Inflation is assumed to be a constant 3% and dollar values are expressed in real purchasing power terms.

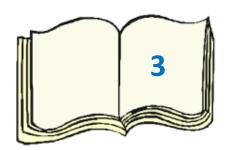
Source: Alliance Bernstein

Investment Strategy #4 Re-balance Periodically



Asset Class	Market Value as of January 1	Market Value as of December 31	
Stocks	\$100	\$200	
Bonds	\$100	\$100	
Total Assets	\$200	\$300	
Stock Allocation %	\$100 ÷ \$200 = 50%	\$200 ÷ \$300 = 67%	
Overall Asset Allocation %	50/50	67/33	





Planning and Resources

Naming a Beneficiary



If you don't, the law or the plan determines

Review beneficiary designations

Spousal consent is required

Set up trust for minors

Estate is usually last resort...lengthy process



Reasons to Save



- ✓ Convenient payroll deduction
- ✓ Favorable tax treatment
- ✓ Compounding helps your money grow
- ✓ Variety of investments to choose from



Some Helpful Advice



- ✓ Save more when you can
- Review paychecks, statements and beneficiaries
- ✓ Use the tools and resources to plan



No one cares more about your retirement than you!

If You Need Assistance



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Questions?