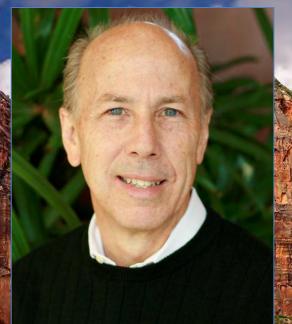
## What Millennials Want in a Pay Plan

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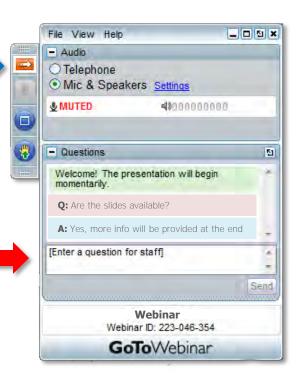
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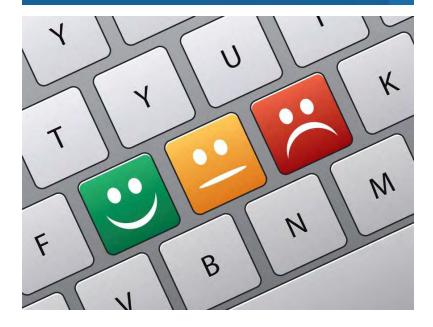
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#### Vision: Help You Become a Wealth Multiplier Organization

Transform the way you use compensation to share value with employees.

#### If you do that...

- Quality of talent will improve.
- Employee engagement will expand.
- Performance will be magnified.
- Business growth will be accelerated.
- Shareholder value will increase.

#### Why Talk about Millennial Pay?

- Largest generation in global workforce. (Pew Research)
- Myths abound
- Unique frame of reference
- Limitless potential impact
- Mystery to business leaders



#### Why Talk about Millennial Pay?



Perplexed Business Leader:

"Our company initiated a profit sharing bonus plan and it just bombed."



All Knowing Business Leader: "What's the average age of your people?"

Perplexed Business Leader:

"Probably between 22 and 31."



#### All Knowing Business Leader:

"That's your problem. Those are Millennials and Millennials don't care about money."

(Problem solved.)

## **REALLY?**

#### Millennial Pay Plan as a Marketing Strategy

- Audience
- Do
- Believe
- Know



#### Identify the Audience

- Persona
- Age group
- Career phase
- Family
- Goals
- Living arrangements
- Millennial type
- Free time

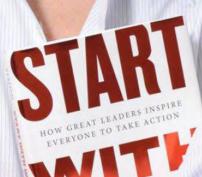
#### Identify What You Want them to Do

- Role
- Outcomes
- Impact
- Performance channel
- Unique abilities
- Fit

#### Identify What They Need to Believe

- What's possible
- Who benefits
- Why it matters
- Positive outcomes

Simon Sinek: "Start with Why"



#### Identify What They Need to Know

- Company vision
- Business model & strategy
- Partnership
  - Rewards
  - Relevance

#### Who Are Millennials?

- Pew Research Center analysis of U.S. Census Bureau data
- 1/3 of Workforce
- Ages 18 to 34 in 2015
- 24% of the US population (77 million individuals)
- The median income:
  - Younger Millennials--\$25k
  - Older Millennials--\$48k



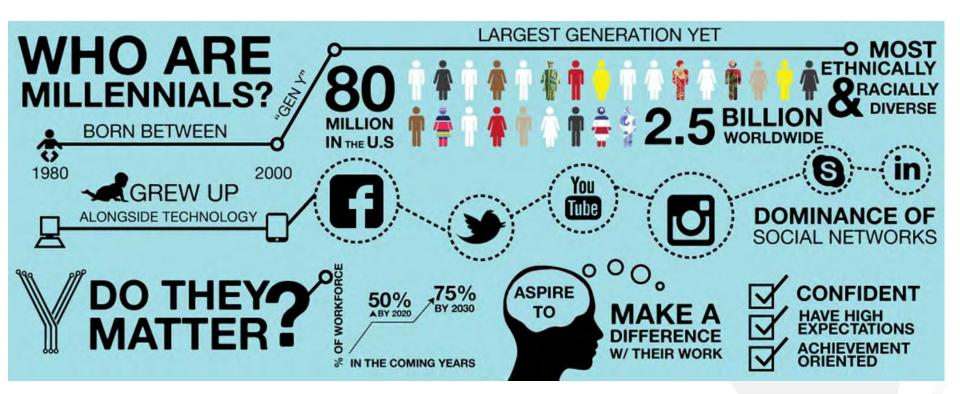
#### Who Are Millennials?



#### 2014 Nielsen Research

- 21% of Millennials are married (42% of Boomers married at same age)
- 23% have a Bachelor's degree or higher (most educated generation)
- Most ethnically and racially diverse generation (19% Hispanic, 14% African-American, 5% Asian)
- 36% of women are mothers
- 2 in 3 Millennials are US-born
- 38% of Millennials are bilingual

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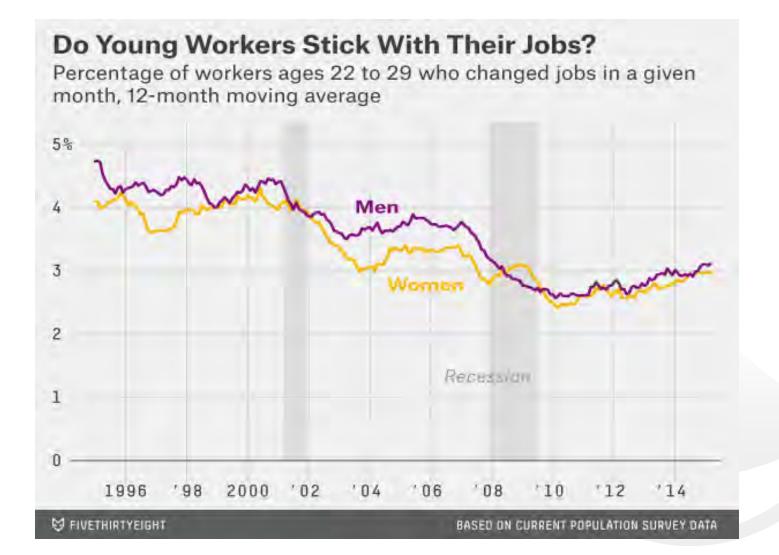


#### **Millennial Myths**

"...studies have started to dispel the myth of the itinerant millennial. Using data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, for example, the website FiveThirtyEight.com has shown that millennials change jobs less frequently than gen Xers did at the same age....at least 40 percent of millennials see themselves staying at their current organization for a minimum of nine years — a much longer period than the 16 months to three years that's often reported."

Millennials Play the Long Game, Strategy+Business, Jennifer Deal and Alex Levenson

#### **Trend for Job Changes**



#### Myths Translate into Mistakes



- Using myths as an excuse
- Treating millennials as a monolithic group
- Resisting change
- Making assumptions

#### **Millennial Career Segments**



#### Launchers

- Young professionals at the start of their careers.
- Just left the university or are within their first few years of graduating.
- Yours is their initial or perhaps second careerrelated job.
- Most of them are single.

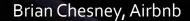
#### Accelerators

- Have had some experience with more than one company
- Are now trying to settle in with an organization where they can rise in ability, recognition, contribution and influence.
- Most still single but a growing number are married or have life partners and are starting families.



#### Catalysts

- Entering or are well into their 30s
- Have gained meaningful experience and possess unique abilities.
- Able to affect significant (positive) change in an organization
- Companies are competing for their talents.
- They have leverage and are in a position to negotiate.
- Many married and have children.



### The Emergence of Catalysts

#### The New Corporate Garage

"...Apple's inventiveness is no anomaly; it indicates a dramatic shift in the world of innovation. The revolution spurred by venture capitalists decades ago has created the conditions in which scale enables big companies to stop shackling innovation and start unleashing it."

#### **Catalysts Change Growth Trajectory**

"...entrepreneurial individuals, or 'catalysts,' within big companies are using those companies' resources, scale, and growing agility to develop solutions to global challenges in ways that few others..." (Harvard Business Review, September 2012)



### Attracting Premier Millennial Talent 3 Keys

Define What Talent You Need Recruit to a Role (not a Position) Market a Partnership



#### Know What Talent You Need

#### Talent & Business Model Alignment Have top performers working in roles that maximize their unique abilities Avoid placement in roles that don't have a strategic impact

#### **Talent Assessment**

- Define skill "categories" needed to drive business model
- Identify gaps
- Form recruiting strategy

# Recruit to a Role (Not a Position)

- Position: characterized by specific duties you need someone to carry out.
- Role: defined by outcomes and stewardship.

Positions are filled. Roles are *ful*filled.

# The Role Principle

**Three Components** 

Stewardship Expectations Recruiting Philosophy Pay Philosophy

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# **Key Questions**

What outcomes need to be achieved if the company's growth goals are going to be fulfilled?

What specific skill sets are needed to produce those outcomes?

What value proposition will attract and retain that kind of talent?

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### The Millennial Value Proposition:

### **Total Rewards**

2.Positive Work Environment

3.Opportunities for Personal and Professional Growth

4. Financial Rewards

### **1.** Compelling Future

- I like the direction the company is headed.
- I embrace the company's values.
- I believe the company can achieve its growth goals.

- I see myself in the company's future.
- I want a "seat at the table" in determining the direction of the company.

## 2. Positive Work Environment

- I like the nature of the work I'm doing.
- I am working within my unique ability.
- My responsibilities have strategic purpose.
- I like the team of people with whom I work.
- There are channels and processes for solving problems and decision making.

### 3. Personal and Professional Development

As a result of my immersion in the culture and resources of this organization, my unique abilities will improve—and I will experience personal and professional fulfillment.

### 4. Financial Rewards

- There is a philosophy that guides pay decisions and I relate to it.
- There is a mechanism for sharing value with those who help produce it.

 I have some control over how much I can earn if I produce.
 I feel a sense of partnership with ownership.

### Link Company & Employee Goals Financial "Hierarchy of Needs"

5	Wealth Accumulation		Wealth Multiplier Philosophy	
4	Value Sharing	M	Short & Long-Term Incentive Plans	
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3	Retirement Planning		Qualified & Executive Retirement Plans	
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Clear Pay Philosophy

# **Hierarchy & Millennial Segments**

	Launchers		
Accession of a	Area	Orientation	
	Cash Flow/Standard of Living	<ul> <li>Pay expectations still being formed</li> <li>Modest needs</li> <li>Competitive salary and mentoring</li> </ul>	
	Risk Protection	<ul><li>Basic needs</li><li>Don't want to pay anything</li></ul>	
MAL	Retirement	Small or little concern	
	VS/Wealth Accumulation	<ul> <li>More concerned about money for this weekend</li> <li>Short-term preferred over long-term</li> </ul>	

# **Hierarchy & Millennial Segments**

#### Accelerators

Area	Orientation
Cash Flow/Standard of Living	<ul> <li>Context:         <ul> <li>Experience</li> <li>Peer Pay</li> <li>Life Responsibilities</li> </ul> </li> <li>College Debt</li> </ul>
Risk Protection	<ul> <li>Adequacy of coverage— family focus</li> <li>Cost sensitive</li> </ul>
Retirement	Growing Focus
VS/Wealth Accumulation	<ul> <li>Emphasis on increased cash flow</li> <li>Short-term preferred over long-term</li> </ul>



# **Hierarchy & Millennial Segments**



	Catalysts					
Area	Orientation					
Cash Flow/Standard of Living	<ul> <li>Prefer median of market pay but with high upside potential</li> </ul>					
<b>Risk Protection</b>	<ul><li>Want flexibility and options</li><li>Maximum Control</li></ul>					
Retirement	<ul> <li>Two areas of focus:         <ul> <li>Retirement accumulation</li> <li>Current tax savings</li> </ul> </li> <li>Deferred compensation</li> </ul>					
VS/Wealth Accumulation	<ul> <li>Large area of emphasis</li> <li>Focus on long-term opportunity</li> <li>Mirror owner opportunity</li> </ul>					

#### Salaries

Salary

Growth

Incentives

Nongualified

Retirement

Plans

Core Health

& Welfare

Plans

Qualified

Retirement

Plans

Executive

Benefit

Plans

Competitive with market standards? Tied to strong performance management process (merit)? Managed within a flexible but effective structure?

#### **Performance Incentives**

Tied to productivity gains? Clear, achievable and meaningful? Self-financing?

#### **Sales Incentives**

Challenging yet achievable? Reinforcing the right behaviors? Differentiating your offering?

#### **Growth Incentives**

Linked to a compelling future? Supporting an ownership mentality? Securing premier talent?

#### **Core Benefits**

Responsive to today's employee marketplace? Allocating resources where most needed? Evaluated to eliminate unnecessary expense?

#### **Executive Benefits**

Flexible enough to address varying circumstances? Communicating a unique relationship? Reducing employee tax expense?

#### **Qualified Retirement Plans**

Giving employees an opportunity to optimize retirement values? Operated with comprehensive fiduciary accountability? Avoiding conflicts and minimizing expenses?

#### **Nonqualified Retirement Plans**

Performance

Incentives

Sales

Incentives

- Optimizing tax-deferral opportunities?
- Aligning long-term interests of employees with shareholders?
- Structured to receive best possible P&L impact?

#### An Aligned Millennial Pay Strategy

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## Line of Sight

Sales Growth

Margin Improvement

Product Improvements

**Cost Improvements** 

**Customer Satisfaction** 

**Productivity Improvements** 

**Quality Employee Retention** 

My Job Responsibilities

\$ New Value \$

**Value Sharing** 

## Market a Future that's Relevant

- Communicate desire for a growth partnership
- Demonstrate commitment
  - To the future business
  - To key contributors
- Promote don't just communicate
- Be consistent

## Market a Future that's Relevant

- Here's our future
- Here's how we're going to get there
- Here's the role we picture for you
  Here's how we encourage our people to grow and contribute

Here's our philosophy about pay and rewards Here are our specific pay programs Here's how our pay programs could work for you if we achieve our plan

## Market a Future that's Relevant

- Build a sense of partnership
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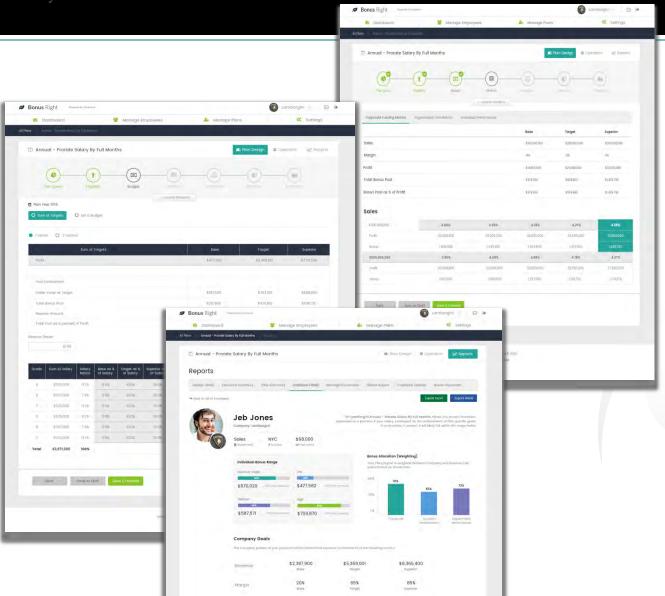
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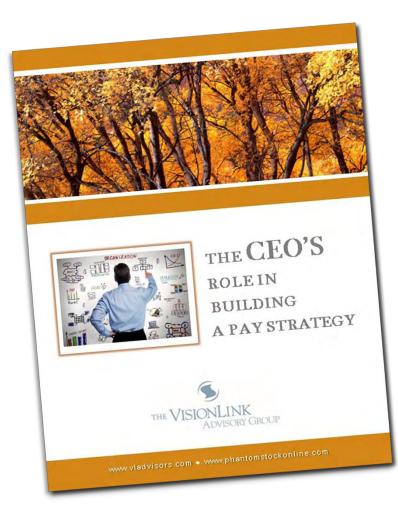
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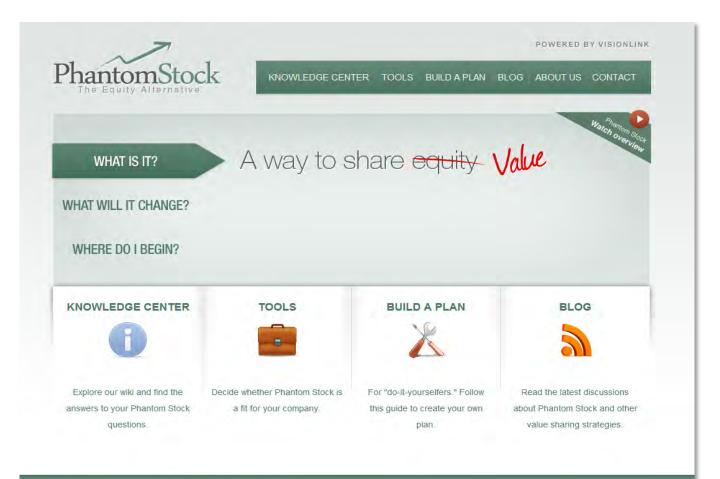
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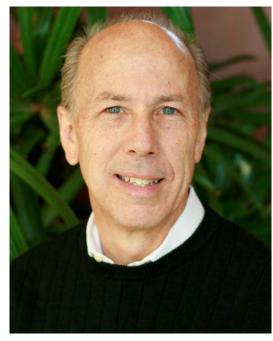
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