## My Plan Connection

## Did you know that your employer is offering you FREE MONEY? Don't miss out!

DID YOU SAY FREE MONEY? Yes! When you contribute to your 401(k) plan, your employer matches a portion of those contributions. This means that when you contribute to your 401(k) plan, you get an instant, automatic, guaranteed return! For every \$1 you contribute, your employer is going to contribute money to your retirement account as well.

Whether you make \$10,000, \$30,000, or \$100,000, your company's match represents an

All the financial experts agree. Don't miss out on your company match!

instant raise to your base salary. When you don't contribute to your 401(k) plan up to your company's matching limit, you are effectively turning down a raise. Nobody wants to do that!

You may think that you can't afford to contribute to your 401(k) plan right now. The real answer is that you can't afford NOT to. In this uncertain economy, many companies are eliminating their matching contributions or are cutting back. Your

employer is committed to helping you prepare for retirement. Check out the chart below. For a little more money each week, you can make a huge difference to your ability to meet your income needs in retirement. Most people aren't saving nearly enough for retirement. Your employer is trying to help. Take control and start saving now!



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