

# **Board Report 23-25**

|          |  | Administration                               |
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| Date:    | June 20, 2023  | Thomas Moutes<br>Chair                       |
|          |  | Neil Guglielmo<br>Vice-Chair                 |
| To:      | Board of Deferred Compensation Administration                          | Robert Schoonover<br>First Provisional Chair |
|          | Staff  | Jeremy Wolfson<br>Second Provisional Chair   |
| From:    |  | Joshua Geller<br>Third Provisional Chair     |
|          |  | Dana H. Brown                                |
| Subject: | Deferred Compensation Plan Projects and Activities Report:<br>May 2023 | Linda P. Le                                  |
|          |  | Joseph Salazar                               |
|          |  | LAFPP Representative, Vacant                 |

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### **Discussion:**

Below are the Deferred Compensation Plan (DCP) project and activity updates for May 2023:

#### A. Operations and Project Updates

- Schwab Self-Directed Brokerage Account (SDBA) Enhancement Voya announced a new program enhancement that simplifies the process to open up an SDBA for participants. Participants no longer need to provide a Retirement Plan ID or Plan Access Code as the information is directly transferred from Voya to Schwab. Staff has updated language on the website in time for the enhancement to go live on June 12, 2023.
- 2023 Special Election for Active Participant LAFPP Representative Update The deadline for candidates to submit candidate filing materials was June 8, 2023. The Office of the City Clerk Election Division (Election Division) reviewed the nominating petitions for sufficiency and a total of 2 candidates, Carl Lurvey and Tony Gamboa, have qualified to be placed on the ballot. Ballots will be mailed by June 29, 2023 to DCP participants who are eligible to vote as of 30 days before the election. All ballots must be received by the Election Division by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 21, 2023.

### **B.** Communications Updates

- Percent-of-Pay Campaign Staff launched а campaign in May to highlight the advantages of contributing as a percentage of pay in preparation for retirement. A targeted email was sent to 20,354 (or approximately 58% of active participants with an account balance) active DCP participants who are currently contributing with a flat dollar amount. The email included a link to a blog post that included a graph to illustrate how contributing as a percentage of pay accumulates over time in comparison to a flat dollar amount. The bloa also included step-by-step instructions on how to begin saving as a percentage of pay. Staff also posted on Facebook and Instagram with links to the blog post.
- <u>Money Matters Zoom Virtual Meetings</u> In October 2020, staff launched "Money Matters" virtual meetings

for employees to interact with DCP local retirement counselors via Zoom. During these sessions, DCP local retirement counselors provide education on various topics and answer participant questions. General DCP information virtual meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Attendance for the May virtual meeting is provided in the following table:

| Торіс                  | Date         | Attendance |  |
|------------------------|--------------|------------|--|
| Changing Contributions | May 17, 2023 | 16         |  |

<u>LA457.com Engagement Statistics: May 2023</u> – LA457.com saw 18,585 unique visitors and 28,673 pageviews. The following table provides a review of the top ten website topics accessed by participants during the month.

| Top 10 LA457.com Pages in May 2023 | Views  |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Home                            | 19,311 |
| 2. Contact Us                      | 1,107  |
| 3. FAQs                            | 1,048  |
| 4. Loans                           | 1,041  |
| 5. Your Distribution Options       | 742    |
| 6. Join the DCP                    | 682    |
| 7. Contributions                   | 523    |
| 8. Board Meeting Materials         | 289    |
| 9. Investment Options              | 283    |
| 10. 2023 Special Election – LAFPP  | 184    |

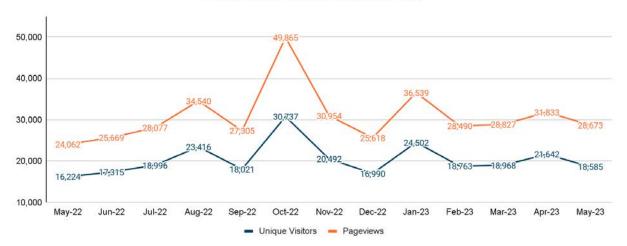


Switching to percent-of-pay contributions in the DCP can breathe new life into your retirement savings strategy

You may be asking yourself what the difference is between fixed dollar and percent-of-pay contributions. Simply put, percent-of-pay contributions allow you to doluct a percentage of your salary each paycheck (e.g. 65) versus a fixed dollar amount per paycheck (e.g. 5100). In the DCP both options are available. However, the davatages of percent of-pay contributions are increasingly supported by recent studies. In fact, according to a 2021 survey, 69% of employees who contribute a percentage of their salary to their retirement plan feel contident about their retirement savings compared to only 42% of those who contribute a fixed dollar amount. Learn more on our latest blog post here.

| Making the switch to percent-of-pay contributions is  |     |      |
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| easy. First, sign in to your DCP account at LA457.com | 5   | (Z.) |
| using the orange LOGIN button in the upper right      | -   | -    |
| corner of the homepage. Step-by-step instructions     | (3) | 1    |
| ance you've signed in can be found here.              |     | -    |

The following chart tracks LA457.com unique visitors and page views over the past calendar year.



LA457.com Traffic in the Last Year

## C. Staffing Update

The following table provides a summary of staff positions supporting the DCP:

| Position Authority                   | Incumbent Class                      | Function                   | Est. Percent<br>Reimbursed<br>by DCP | Staff Member    |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| Personnel                            |                                      |                            |                                      |                 |  |  |
| Defined Contribution<br>Plan Manager | Defined Contribution<br>Plan Manager | Executive Director         | 100%                                 | Vacant          |  |  |
| Chief Management<br>Analyst          | Chief Management Analyst             | Employee Benefits Chief    | 10%                                  | Paul Makowski   |  |  |
| Senior Benefits Analyst II           | Senior Personnel Analyst II          | Plan Administration        | 100%                                 | Esther Chang    |  |  |
| Benefits Analyst                     | Benefits Analyst                     | Communications             | 100%                                 | Eric Lan        |  |  |
| Benefits Analyst                     | Benefits Analyst                     | Operations                 | 100%                                 | Mindy Lam       |  |  |
| Benefits Specialist                  | Benefits Specialist                  | Participant Services       | 100%                                 | Claudia Guevara |  |  |
| DCP Intern                           | DCP Intern                           | Participant Research       | 100%                                 | Vacant          |  |  |
| City Attorney                        |                                      |                            |                                      |                 |  |  |
| Deputy City Attorney IV              | Deputy City Attorney IV              | Board Counsel              | 25%                                  | Charles Hong    |  |  |
| Legal Assistant                      | Legal Assistant                      | Participant Legal Services | 40%                                  | Vicky Williams  |  |  |

#### **D.** Committee Assignments

Following is the current Committee rosters as designated by the Board Chairperson:



#### E. Next Board Meeting

The next regular Board meeting will take place on June 20, 2023. Following is a tentative list of agenda items for that meeting:

| July 18, 2023 Regular Meeting Agenda Items            |  |
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| Board Report: 2023 National Retirement Security Month |  |
| Board Report: DCP Projects and Activities – June 2023 |  |

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