

## BrightScope Ranks the Top 25 San Francisco Bay Area-Based Companies with the Best 401k Plans

## Dodge & Cox reigns at No. 1 for second year in a row, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP and Bechtel Corporation round out top three

**SAN DIEGO, Calif. (October 14, 2014)** – BrightScope (<u>www.brightscope.com</u>), a leading provider of independent financial information and investment research, today announced the ranking of San Francisco Bay Area companies with the highest ranked 401k plans containing more than \$100 million in assets.

"It's encouraging to see a wide variety of industries represented on this list in a city primarily known for technology and finance business," said Brooks Herman, Head of Data & Research at BrightScope. "It shows that, no matter the trade, every company can provide quality 401k benefits to help employees better prepare for a successful retirement."

Noteworthy findings in the 2014 Top 25 San Francisco Bay Area 401k Plans list include:

- Always On: Dodge & Cox maintains the No. 1 spot for the second year in a row
- Greatest Leaps: Bechtel Corporation moves from No. 13 to No. 3, Cooley, LLP from No. 9 to No. 4, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP from No. 11 to No. 5 and MedAmerica from No. 12 to No. 7
- Average account balance for plans listed is \$170,060
- Average participation rate for plans on the list is 93 percent
- Average company generosity for plans listed is \$7,172; the median is \$5,235
- Average salary deferral for plans listed is \$10,546; the median is \$10,899

*Top 25 San Francisco Bay Area companies with the highest ranked 401k plans containing more than \$100 million in assets:* 

## Company – Plan Name – BrightScope Rating

- 1. Dodge & Cox <u>Dodge & Cox Profit Sharing Plan & Trust</u> 89.54
- Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP <u>Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP Retirement Savings</u> <u>Plan No. 1</u> – 87.18
- 3. Bechtel Corporation <u>Bechtel Trust & Thrift Plan</u> 86.58
- 4. Cooley, LLP <u>Cooley, LLP Salary Deferral and Profit Sharing Plan</u> 86.12
- 5. Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP Retirement Plan 85.93

- 6. Gilead Sciences, Inc. <u>Gilead Sciences 401k Plan</u> 85.92
- 7. MedAmerica, Inc. 401k Profit Sharing Plan for Employees of MedAmerica, Inc. 85.80
- 8. Dolby Laboratories, Inc. Dolby Laboratories, Inc. Retirement Plan 84.83
- 9. California Advanced Imaging Medical Associates, Inc. <u>California Advanced Imaging Medical</u> <u>Associates, Inc. Retirement and 401k Plan</u> – 84.38
- 10. The Charles Schwab Corporation SchwabPlan Retirement Savings and Investment Plan 83.68
- 11. Morrison & Foerster LLP Morrison & Foerster LLP Retirement Plan Part I 83.67
- 12. Exponent, Inc. Exponent, Inc. 401k Savings Plan 83.60
- 13. Autodesk, Inc. <u>Autodesk 401k Plan</u> 83.45
- 14. Littler Mendelson, P.C. Littler Mendelson 401k Plan and Trust 83.15
- 15. PG&E Corporation PG&E Corporation Retirement Savings Plan 83.11
- 16. Informatica Corporation <u>Informatica Corporation 401k Retirement Plan</u> 83.11
- 17. Swinerton, Inc. <u>Swinerton 401k & Savings Plan</u> 82.82
- 18. Oracle Corporation Oracle Corporation 401k Savings And Investment Plan 82.63
- 19. Fisher Asset Management, LLC d/b/a Fisher Investments Fisher Investments 401k Plan 82.42
- 20. Genesys Labs, Inc. Genesys Retirement Savings Plan 81.14
- 21. Alexander & Baldwin, Inc. <u>A&B International Deferred Compensation and Profit Sharing Plan</u> <u>for Salaried Non-Bargaining Employees</u> – 81.11
- 22. Pixar Pixar Employee's 401k Retirement Plan 81.04
- 23. DPR Construction <u>DPR Construction 401k Plan</u> 80.75
- 24. First Republic Bank First Republic Bank 401k Plan 80.75
- California Physicians' Service d/b/a Blue Shield of California <u>Blue Shield of California Tax</u> <u>Deferred Salary Investment Plan</u> – 79.73

Note: This data is accurate as of October 5, 2014.

BrightScope obtains an increasing amount of its data directly from plan sponsors and record keepers, and augments these primary sources with data from publicly available sources such as the Department

of Labor and the Securities and Exchange Commission. By analyzing and interpreting this data, BrightScope provides unprecedented transparency into the 401k industry.

The BrightScope Rating was developed by BrightScope, Inc. with the help of leading academics and independent 401k fiduciaries. By analyzing more than 200 individual data points, the BrightScope Rating algorithm calculates a single numerical value for each 401k plan. The data points examined cover broad categories such as total plan cost, company generosity and investment menu quality.

BrightScope has rated nearly 50,000 401k and 403b plans, spanning more than 57 million workers and over \$3 trillion in assets. Industry adoption of the BrightScope Rating will lead to more cost-effective plans, increased participation rates, higher employee satisfaction and better outcomes for the 60 million employees who depend on their 401k plan for retirement.

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