

# Think outside the plan

A self-directed brokerage account lets you access thousands of investments beyond your retirement plan's lineup. Signing up is easy!

Your employer-sponsored retirement plan from Vanguard includes a self-directed brokerage option with brokerage services provided by Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. ("Schwab").

The Schwab Personal Choice Retirement Account (PCRA) can offer more flexibility, greater diversification, and a bigger role in managing your retirement savings. (Note that Vanguard continues to provide administrative and recordkeeping services for your retirement plan account.)

### **Enroll online in a PCRA**

Experience the benefits of a self-directed brokerage account, including:

- An opportunity for more experienced investors to gain autonomy over retirement investing decisions.
- Thousands of investment choices, including commission-free online trades for all Vanguard mutual funds and Vanguard exchange-traded funds, as well as access to other commissionfree offerings from Schwab.\*
- A seamless single login from your retirement plan account on Vanguard's website.

# Open your account:

- Log in to your retirement plan account at vanguard.com/retirementplans.
- 2. Click on **Manage my money** and scroll to **Here's how your money is invested**.
- 3. Click on **Manage my brokerage account** and follow the instructions.

Please note: If you have Roth money as well as pre-tax and traditional after-tax money, you'll need to open a separate account (a Roth account and a pre-tax/after-tax account) for each.

#### Need help?

For retirement plan questions, call **800-523-1188** Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Eastern time.

For PCRA questions, call **888-393-7272** Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Eastern time.



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Whenever you invest, there's a chance you could lose the money.

Diversifying means having different types of investments. It doesn't guarantee you'll make a profit or that you won't lose money.

Before you invest, get the details. Consider the fund's objective, risks, charges, and expenses. The fund's prospectus (or summary prospectus, if available) will tell you these important facts and more. So read it carefully. Call Vanguard at 800-523-1188 or Schwab at 1-888-393-PCRA (7272) to get one. Or you can find one at vanguard.com.

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