

Vendors Available In JEM Administered Texas Plans

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Listed below are the 403(b) vendors that have agreed to the terms of each employer's Written Plan, to provide data electronically and to sign the vendor agreement for your employer. This is based on working with all of the vendors for most of 2008. We will update the website next in February 2009 then quarterly thereafter. Please check the website before you make a final decision about any vendor.

Note regarding "grandfathered status": Texas law exempts 403(b) contracts entered into prior to June 1, 2002 from the current TRS approved vendor/product rules. However, in order to be in the Employer's Plan after January 1, 2009 IRS rules require that the vendor be listed in the Written Plan. To be listed in the Written Plan we require the vendor to sign a vendor agreement. All of the vendors listed below have indicated they will sign this agreement. Most vendors with "grandfathered" contracts under Texas rules have not agreed to sign a vendor agreement.

Vendor List

Vendor Name	
1	403b ASP (ASPIre Financial Services)** Contact Information
2	American Century Investments** Contact Information
3	American United Life Ins. Co. Contact Information
4	Americo Contact Information
5	Annuity Investors Life Insurance (AILIC, subsidiary of Great American)** Contact Information
6	Aviva (only for participants contributing prior to 1/1/2008) Contact Information
7	AXA Equitable Life Insurance Company** Contact Information
8	C M Life (subsidiary of Mass Mutual) Contact Information
9	Commonwealth Annuity Contact Information
10	Federated Funds** Contact Information
11	Fidelity Security Life Contact Information
12	First Investors** Contact Information
13	FAM Funds Contact Information
14	Franklin Templeton Contact Information
15	General American (only for participants contributing prior to 6/1/2002) Contact Information
16	Great American Financial Resources (only for participants contributing prior to 1/1/2008)** Contact Information
17	GWN Securities Contact Information
18	Horace Mann** Contact Information
19	IA Pacific Life Ins. Co.** Contact Information
20	ING Life Insurance and Annuity** Contact Information
21	ING Retirement Plans**(Reliastar) Contact Information
22	Jefferson National Life Ins. Co. Contact Information
23	The Legend Group** Contact Information
24	Life Insurance Company of the Southwest** Contact Information
25	Lincoln Financial Group** Contact Information
26	Lincoln Investment Planning Contact Information
27	Mass Mutual (only for participants contributing prior to 6/1/2002) Contact Information
28	Metropolitan Life Insurance Company** Contact Information
29	Midland National Life Insurance Company Contact Information
30	Modern Woodmen of America Contact Information
31	New York Life Contact Information

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32	North American Co. for Life and Health Insurance	Contact Information
33	OppenheimerFunds Distributor, Inc.**	Contact Information
34	PlanMember Services**	Contact Information
35	Putnam Investments	Contact Information
36	RiverSource Investments, LLC (Ameriprise)	Contact Information
37	Rydex	Contact Information
38	Security Benefit**	Contact Information
39	Sentinel Funds (only for participants contributing prior to 1/1/2008)	Contact Information
40	Symetra**	Contact Information
41	Thrivent Financial for Lutherans	Contact Information
42	Transamerica Life Insurance Company	Contact Information
43	T Rowe Price	Contact Information
44	USAA Investment Mgmt Company	Contact Information
45	Valic**	Contact Information
46	Vanguard	Contact Information
47	Waddell & Reed (Roth option no longer offered after 1/1/2010)	Contact Information
48	Western National Life Insurance Company	Contact Information

*Information Regarding American Funds and Other Mutual Funds No Longer on the Employer's Approved List

** Roth contributions are accepted by these vendors

1. American Funds and some other mutual funds will not agree to the terms of your Employer's Written Plan and will not provide data to JEM electronically.
2. If your deduction is currently going to American Funds or one of these other mutual funds then your deduction was stopped on the first payroll date after January 1, 2009.
3. There are alternative ways for you to continue your contributions to your mutual fund. These are listed below:
 - a. For American Funds and some other funds (check the TRS list), you can continue making contributions through a custodial account with 403b ASP (ASPIre Financial Services). 403b ASP (ASPIre Financial Services) offers a 403(b)(7) custodial account and has agreed to the terms of your Employer's Written Plan and to provide data to JEM electronically. You can either go through your broker to allocate your money at 403b ASP to the American Fund of your choice or go directly to 403b ASP.
 - i. You or your broker can reach 403b ASP (ASPIre Financial Services) directly at 866-634-5873 or go to their website at www.403bplan.info/index.php.
 - ii. 403b ASP (ASPIre Financial Services) does charge additional fees for this service so you will have to determine if this is worthwhile.
 - iii. JEM does not have any business relationship with 403b ASP (ASPIre Financial Services) or any other vendor and does not endorse this company.
 - b. You can go to another company on the Approved List above to see if you can contribute to American Funds or another mutual fund of your choice through their product. There are other vendors that offer this, including custodial accounts and variable annuities.
 - i. You may incur additional fees when contributing through such other programs so you should evaluate the costs carefully before making a decision.
4. **IMPORTANT NOTE: If you want to keep contributing to your 403(b) fund through payroll and you choose one of the alternatives above, you must stop your deduction to the fund and change the deduction to the alternative product.**