

VARIABLE ANNUITY

# StarStream Investment Guide

Tax deferred growth combined with a competitive  
investment platform

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# The benefits of diversification

The start of retirement is not necessarily the end of growing your retirement assets. If continued growth is important to you in retirement, it could be essential to manage market risk through thoughtful diversification. While diversification cannot guarantee a profit, it can be a good idea to provide balance during market volatility.

Looking back over time, we generally see that top performers one year may not be the top performers the next. And so, while we can't predict the winners and losers of tomorrow, you can diversify across multiple asset classes and investment options to help your portfolio navigate varying market environments.

**A diversified portfolio can help you manage volatility and support long-term investment goals.**

# Investment platform overview

To help build a diversified portfolio, StarStream® offers investment options\* across a wide variety of asset classes.

## U.S. equity

### LARGE CAP VALUE

AVIP BlackRock Advantage Large Cap Value II  
Fidelity VIP Equity-Income Svc2  
Invesco V.I. Comstock Fund II

### LARGE CAP BLEND

American Funds IS® Growth-Income 4  
AVIP BlackRock Advantage Large Cap Core II  
AVIP Intech U.S. Low Volatility II  
AVIP S&P 500® Index II  
Goldman Sachs VIT U.S. Equity Insights Svc

### LARGE CAP GROWTH

American Funds IS® Growth 4  
AVIP BlackRock Advantage Large Cap Growth II  
AVIP Nasdaq-100® Index II  
Fidelity VIP Contrafund Svc2  
Janus Henderson VIT Research Svc

### MID CAP BLEND

AVIP AB Mid Cap Core II  
AVIP S&P MidCap 400® Index II  
Fidelity VIP Mid Cap Svc2

### MID CAP GROWTH

MFS VIT Mid Cap Growth Series Svc

## International equity

### LARGE CAP BLEND

AVIP BlackRock Advantage International Equity II  
Janus Henderson VIT Overseas Svc

### GLOBAL GROWTH

American Funds IS® Global Growth 4  
Janus Henderson VIT Global Research Svc

## Fixed income

### LOW DURATION

AVIP High Income Bond II  
Fidelity VIP Government Money Market Svc2

### MID DURATION

AVIP Bond II  
AVIP Core Plus Bond II  
PIMCO VIT Income Adv  
PIMCO VIT Real Return Adv

## Model Portfolios

### ASSET ALLOCATION

AVIP Balanced Model I  
AVIP Growth Model I  
AVIP Moderate Growth Model I  
AVIP Moderately Conservative Model I

### VOLATILITY CONTROLLED

AVIP Constellation Dynamic Risk Balanced II  
AVIP Constellation Managed Risk Balanced I  
AVIP Constellation Managed Risk Growth I  
AVIP Constellation Managed Risk Moderate Growth I

## Allocation Funds

### ASSET ALLOCATION

AVIP BlackRock Balanced Allocation II  
Franklin Income VIP 4  
Janus Henderson VIT Balanced Svc  
Nomura VIP Asset Strategy Series Svc

\*Elect up to 25 Variable Portfolios and adjust allocations up to 25 trading days each contract year without a transfer fee. Please refer to the back page for disclosures specific to the variable portfolio options.

# Portfolio construction with **Optional Living and Death Benefits\***

StarStream variable annuities offer four competitive benefit options that can provide income for life in combination with unique features.

## **LEVEL**

A consistent withdrawal percentage throughout retirement, and withdrawals that can grow through several features and opportunities.

## **PROTECTOR**

Designed with legacy in mind, a protected death benefit ensures an inheritance for your loved ones while providing level, lifetime withdrawals for you.

## **BOOST**

Provides boosted withdrawal percentages early in retirement so you can enjoy the active time in your retirement years.

## **DAILY**

Captures additional investment growth opportunities through daily Step-ups, that can lock in higher withdrawals quarterly when investments perform well.

For the Boost benefit, withdrawal percentages may be reduced later if your account value is depleted.

\* Only one optional benefit may be elected per contract and may not be changed once elected. Benefits are available for an additional fee.

When you choose to elect an Optional Benefit, you'll be required to allocate your premium to three different categories and up to 25 variable portfolios, within the allocation range and list of options below:

**FIXED ACCOUNT 20% | GROUP 1**

Protected Fixed Account

**FIXED INCOME OPTIONS 10%-80% | GROUP 2**

AVIP Bond II

AVIP Core Plus Bond II

AVIP High Income Bond II

Fidelity VIP Government Money Market Svc2

PIMCO VIT Income Adv

PIMCO VIT Real Return Adv

**EQUITY OPTIONS 0%-70% | GROUP 3**

American Funds IS® Global Growth 4

American Funds IS® Growth 4

American Funds IS® Growth-Income 4

AVIP AB Mid Cap Core II

AVIP Balanced Model I

AVIP BlackRock Advantage International Equity II

AVIP BlackRock Advantage Large Cap Core II

AVIP BlackRock Advantage Large Cap Growth II

AVIP BlackRock Advantage Large Cap Value II

AVIP BlackRock Balanced Allocation II

AVIP Constellation Dynamic Risk Balanced II

AVIP Constellation Managed Risk Balanced I

**EQUITY OPTIONS 0%-70% | GROUP 3 (continued)**

AVIP Constellation Managed Risk Growth I

AVIP Constellation Managed Risk Moderate Growth I

AVIP Growth Model I

AVIP Intech U.S. Low Volatility II

AVIP Moderate Growth Model I

AVIP Moderately Conservative Model I

AVIP Nasdaq-100® Index Portfolio II

AVIP S&P 500® Index II

AVIP S&P MidCap 400® Index II

Fidelity VIP Contrafund Svc2

Fidelity VIP Equity-Income Svc2

Fidelity VIP Mid Cap Svc2

Franklin Income VIP 4

Goldman Sachs VIT U.S. Equity Insights Svc

Invesco V.I. Comstock II

Janus Henderson VIT Balanced Svc

Janus Henderson VIT Global Research Svc

Janus Henderson VIT Overseas Svc

Janus Henderson VIT Research Svc

MFS VIT Mid Cap Growth Series Svc

Nomura VIP Asset Strategy Series Svc

**Model portfolios**

To make it easy to satisfy your allocation requirements, or if you simply prefer electing a model based on your investment profile, StarStream offers multiple options to choose from. Remember, 20% will still be allocated to the Protected Fixed Account, with 80% going into the Model Portfolios to satisfy allocation requirements for Groups 2 and 3. You can also combine Model Portfolios with individual variable portfolios.



**AVIP Moderately Conservative Model I**

Equity:	50%
Fixed Income:	50%



**AVIP Balanced Model I**

Equity:	60%
Fixed Income:	40%



**AVIP Moderate Growth Model I**

Equity:	75%
Fixed Income:	25%

Please refer to the back page for disclosures specific to the variable portfolio options.

The variable investment options elected with the Optional Benefits will automatically be rebalanced on a quarterly basis. The Protected Fixed Account will not be included in the Optional Benefit rebalancing.

# The power of tax deferral

Your StarStream variable annuity provides tax deferral, which provides a number of benefits

## Tax-deferred growth

Keep more of your money growing, instead of paying taxes every year. Consider the example below:



Hypothetical growth assumes a fixed annual return of 5% compounded annually. Tax-deferred growth does not reflect fees or taxes owed upon withdrawal. Taxable growth assumes a 28% effective annual tax rate applied to earnings. While tax deferral can enhance growth, it may result in higher taxes later depending on your tax bracket. Individual results may vary.

## Tax free transfers

You can move between up to 25 investment options and up to 25 times per year without a fee, and there are no tax implications on those transfers.

## Tax efficient legacy planning

Annuities may provide additional benefits for your beneficiaries, such as:

- Avoiding probate
- Certain beneficiaries may be eligible for extended distribution options under current tax law.
- Other tax planning applications, work with your financial professional to discuss.

# Strong partners in money management

AuguStar® Retirement has partnered with some of the most respected and recognizable names in the industry.



- Well-known names in money management
- Expertise within a wide range of asset classes
- Certain investment options may be available exclusively through a StarStream variable annuity.



**BlackRock**



## Our due diligence process helps us put the right managers into O.R.B.I.T. using the following process:

**Oversight:** Governance, regulatory compliance, and transparency.

**Risk:** Portfolio volatility, drawdowns, and risk mitigation strategies.

**Benchmarking:** Performance comparison against peers, indices, and historical trends.

**Investment Strategy:** Fund structure, asset allocation, and philosophy assessment.

**Team:** Stability, experience, and the decision-making process of the investment team.

Investment risks include but are not limited to Capitalization Size Risk (Small/Mid): Small and mid cap stocks are often more volatile than large cap stocks smaller companies are often more volatile than larger companies smaller companies generally face higher risks due to their limited product lines, markets and financial resources. Commodity and Derivative Risk: Investments in commodities (and related instruments) and derivative instruments such as options, futures, forwards or swaps can be riskier than traditional investments, and may be more volatile. ETF Risk: Investments in ETFs bear the share of the ETF's expenses and run the risk that the ETF may not achieve its investment objective. Emerging Market Risk: Emerging markets may be subject to greater volatility because they are concentrated among relatively few companies and within a narrow range of related industries. Fixed Income Risk: Investments in fixed income securities are subject to interest rate risk, the fluctuation of the interest rate, and credit risk, the issuer's ability to make timely payments of interest or principal. The lower the credit rating, the higher the risk of default. Fixed income securities with lower ratings (commonly known as junk bonds ) tend to have a higher probability that an issuer will default or fail to meet its payment obligations. Foreign (Non-U.S.) Risk: Non-U.S. securities may be more volatile because of political, regulatory, market and economic uncertainties associated with such securities. Fluctuations in currency exchange rates may negatively affect the value of the investment or reduce returns. These risks are magnified in emerging or developing markets. Index Risk: The Index is a broad-based, unmanaged stock index including reinvestment of dividends and cannot be purchased directly by investors. Because of market volatility, performance may be subject to substantial short-term changes. Interest Rate Risk: The risk that fixed income securities will decline in value because of an increase in interest rates. Large Cap Risk: Larger more established companies may be unable to respond quickly to new competitive challenges such as changes in technology and consumer tastes. Many larger companies also may not be able to attain the high growth rate of successful smaller companies, especially during extended periods of economic expansion. Liquidity Risk: The difficulty of purchasing or selling a security at an advantageous time or price. Real Estate Risk: Investments in real estate could decline due to a variety of factors that affect the real estate market. REITs have additional risks; they are dependent on the capability of their managers, they may have limited diversification, and they can be affected by changes in taxes.

Because the Managed Volatility Portfolios (MVPs) are managed to mitigate downside risk, they may underperform during periods of market appreciation.

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