

WHO AM I?

Dad

Florida Man

Credit Union Enthusiast

Aspiring Attorney

SVP/COO – USF FCU

I am in the people business

WHAT ARE WE TALKING ABOUT?

Employee Support and Retention

The excuses we make:

- "We can't keep everyone"
- "It's the pay"
- "It's the younger generations"
- "It's the nature of the beast"



SOME STATISTICS

- BalancedComp bank and credit union turnover at 24% in 2022
- According to a study from The Financial Brand: Nonofficer turnover rate dropped to 19.8% in 2023, the lowest it has been in years
 - Higher pay isn't enough to stem bank employee turnover
- 32% of employees in the US fall into the "engaged" category
- Costs of turnover $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2x an employee's salary
 - Advertising/Recruiting
 - Onboarding/Training
 - Loss of productivity



TWO "SCHOOLS OF THOUGHT"

FEAR

- Authority
- Negativity
- Compliance
- Punishment
- Trouble

INSPIRATION

- Empathy
- Engagement
- Energy
- Enthusiasm
- Example

DISPELLING A FEW MYTHS

- This approach is soft
- This is someone else's problem
- "They should be a little afraid of me"
- This is just for the younger generations
- I'm in leadership, I can't show any emotion
- All this makes it harder to discipline



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EMPATHY

Empathy represents the ability to understand someone else's thoughts and feelings. Listening to your coworkers and taking their concerns into consideration.

Time spent at work vs. with family

Nicole Craviero – CEO of CraveHRO:

- 1. Share your story. Bosses are real people too outside of the workplace. Employees may be pleasantly surprised by their stories and how it changes their perception of them.
- 2. Do not be afraid to ask questions. Be curious about the experiences that your employees have outside the workplace. If you know that they have trouble with transportation, maybe you can organize a carpool with others to help one another.
- 3. Be open and honest with employees about your feelings and experiences. Put yourself in their shoes. You were once in their position. Maybe get opinions on policies that do not work and get them involved in finding a solution.

HOW I DO THIS

Mistakes I've Hopes and dreams

Kids!

Personal struggles

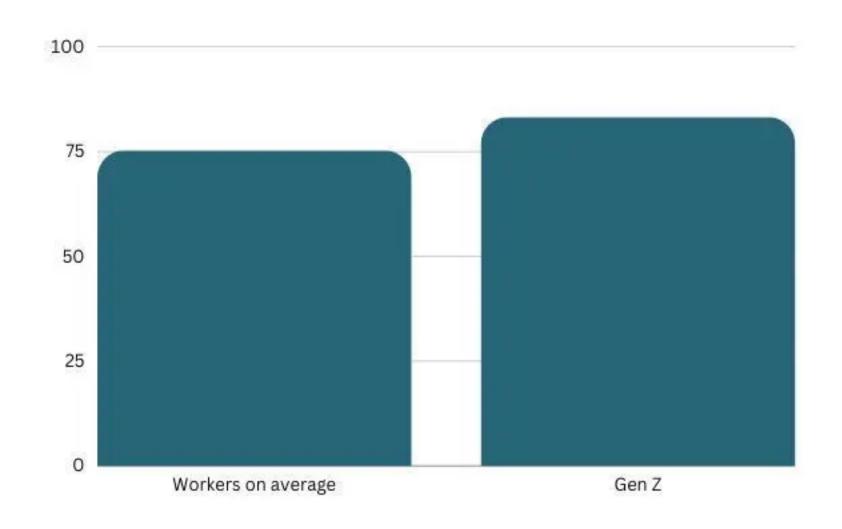
Failures

Hobbies

Idiosyncracies



Workers that would prefer an empathetic organization to better compensation



The benefits of empathy in the workplace



Better cross-cultural communication and management



Better performance



Better leaders



Improved team morale



Helps to curb and eliminate toxic workplace behaviors



Boosts customer service



Stronger connections and relationships



Helps mitigate issues like employee burnout

ENGAGEMENT

- We LOVE to talk about engagement
- Engagement Surveys
- Leading by example
- Creating connections
- This starts with you!



- Don't take it from me, here's what Gallup says:
 - The involvement and enthusiasm of employees in their work and workplace



These are the key drivers of employee engagement:





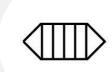


purpose

development

a caring manager





ongoing conversations

a focus on strengths

EXAMPLES & THOUGHTS FROM MY EXPERIENCE

- This should be exhausting
- All-Staff Meetings once per month
 - Virtual it's so easy now!
 - Incorporating Values
- Culture College/Business College
- 71% → 91% retention
- 74% → 92% engaged



YOU HAVE BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND

QUARTER ONE 2024



GRADUATION





"The More You Energize Your Coworkers, the Better Everyone Performs"

-Wayne Baker, Harvard Business Review



USF FCU 2024 Strategy Map

VISION: To be the most influential partner to our member's financial journey. MISSION: Deliver financial solutions to improve members' lives. 2024 Targets Strategic Objectives Measures of Success February 29, 2024 Focus Average number of debit card transactions per month Deliver product solutions that Overall checking accounts with debit card create member loyalty. Average number of credit card transactions per Provide value-added month products & services Loan Production delivered effectively In order to enhance member Financial impact of improvements, innovation, value, deliver performance or cost reduction (includes soft dollar savings excellence through consistent through process improvements and staff time process management and savings) improvement/innovation. Deliver an extraordinary Overall Satisfaction Score (10pt) Benchmark and execute worldmember experience in class service. *Net Promoter Score (NPS) every interaction Employee Engagement (EE) Create and nurture a culture that Quality of training & development Be a team of All Stars delivers a world class experience. Overall Retention Rate Support value creation through Internal Audit Results ethical leadership & governance accountability. Timely Remediations of Internal Audit Findings Lead well & serve Support our communities through Community Outreach volunteer & philanthropic endeavors & responsible care of Philanthropy/Sponsorship Dollars the environment. Capital Ratio Continuously strengthen financial *Net Income performance. Loan to Share Ratio Ensure organizational *Checking/Savings Deposit Growth (28-day sustainability Drive responsible growth to avg daily balance) provide value to our communities. *Overall Net Membership Growth **EPICC VALUES:** Excellence Collaboration Community Passion Innovation

Below or near target (unfavorable, but close; monitoring, timing related)
Hazard: unsure whether target will be met (unfavorable)

ENTHUSIASM

"Once hired into a position, an enthusiastic employee will typically show up on time, show interest in his or her job, and demonstrate a willingness to listen, learn, and try new things."

- US Department of Labor

"I JUST LOVE YOUR ENTHUSIASM"

- Be excited about what you're talking about
 - New product, promotion, line of business, challenge, ANYTHING!
- Celebrate the hell out of successes
 - We focus way too much on the negative
- Lift up the naysayers
- Combat negativity
- People are capable of much more than they believe





IT'S THE LITTLE THINGS

- Sit with your staff
- Visit your teams
- "Office Hours"
- Hop in a meeting unexpectedly
- Send a message
 - 10 per week
- Be the leader you always wish you had

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