Canadian CIOs Weigh In on Top Incentives for Tech Employees

Research Shows IT Professionals Put the Onus on Bonus

TORONTO, Sept. 27, 2017 /CNW/ - What does it take to appeal to today's most in-demand tech talent? According to Canadian CIOs in a recent survey from Robert Half Technology, perks involving money matter to IT professionals, with bonus or stock options topping the list, followed by the ability to learn and grow and advancement opportunities.

The top 8 benefits Canadian tech candidates want from employers:

(Rankings are based on the percentage of CIOs who named the response as one of their top three most important factors for IT professionals.)

- · Bonus or stock options
- The ability to learn and grow
- Advancement opportunities
- The opportunity to work on interesting projects
- Vacation time
- Using new and innovative technology
- · Remote working options
- A unique office environment or other office perks

"Technology professionals are passionate about what they do, and want to work somewhere that recognizes and encourages their interests; however, compensation will also remain a top consideration," said Deborah Bottineau, senior regional manager of Robert Half Technology. "For companies to attract and retain top IT talent, in addition to offering competitive hiring packages, they must promote opportunities for employees to engage with innovative projects, develop new skills and advance their careers."

Added Bottineau, "Organizations should regularly reassess the perks IT employees want most, and develop a flexible compensation package that adapts to their needs, ensuring staff remain motivated, satisfied, and loyal."

For more information on IT hiring, compensation and benefits, including salary data for more than 75 technology positions, check out the newly released <u>Robert Half Technology 2018 Salary Guides</u>.

About the Research

The survey of more than 270 CIOs in Canada was developed by Robert Half Technology and conducted by an independent research firm.

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