



# Employees' Retirement System Of The City of Milwaukee

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## March 2018 Retiree Newsletter

### **1099R Forms**

If you received a monetary benefit from the ERS in 2017 (except for Duty Disability benefits, because this benefit is neither taxable, nor reportable to the IRS), you should have received your 1099R form for 2017. If you haven't, please contact the pension office so we can mail a new form to you. You will need this form for filing your income tax return for 2017. **Do not wait until the last minute.** Replacement forms for 2017 will be issued free-of-charge through April 18, 2018. Any requests for replacements received after that date and all requests for replacement forms for previous years will be filled only upon receipt of a \$15.00 processing fee per form.

### **No Address Changes By Phone**

The post office will NOT forward your pension check or direct deposit notification. You must notify our office in writing of address changes. This is for your protection. We don't want your information going to someone else.

There are three ways to change your address:

- 1) Download a change of address form from our website: [www.cmers.com](http://www.cmers.com). **NOTE: If you log on to the ERS Member Self-Service by creating a user name and password, you can submit the address change to the ERS electronically.**
- 2) Call the ERS office at (414) 286-3557 or 1-800-815-8418 and we will be glad to mail a change of address form to you.
- 3) On letter-sized paper, print your name, old address, new address, social security or payee ID number and sign.

Please let us know if the change is temporary or permanent and the effective date of the change. Mail your address change to: 789 N. Water St., Suite 300, Milwaukee WI 53202.

*"Not how long, but how well you have lived  
is the main thing." -Seneca*

### **In Memoriam: ERS Retirees who have recently died:**



Betty Borden-MPS  
Margaret Campagnola-MPS  
John Cianciolo-MPD  
Patrick Eaton-MPD  
Faith Ernst-MPS  
Rita Flores-Montanez-MPS  
Arlene Gicas-MPS  
Dick Haak-City Development  
Jane Hicks-MPD  
Sandra Irvine-MPS  
Carrie Isabell-MPS  
Carole Jacob-MPS  
Dorothea Keegan-Health  
Charlotte Lethmate-MATC  
Richard Lukszys -MPS  
Marilyn Martynski-MPS  
Norman Nennert-MPD  
Philip Pape-MPD  
Virginia Patterson-MPS  
Gerald Popp-MFD  
Richard Presnal-MPD  
Ferdinand Sajdak-MPD  
Edward Schircely-MPD  
Howard Sobczyk-MPD  
Wanda Taniguchi-MPS  
Russell Timm-MPS  
Patricia Weldon-Health  
James Werner-MFD

### **IMPORTANT APRIL DATES:**

- Processing affidavits for lost March checks will start on **Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>**.
- Payments will be mailed **Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>** and are payable **Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**.
- Direct deposits will be posted to your account **Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**.

Recently Retired ERS Members



- Kevin Armbruster- MPD
- Thomas Bolton- Administration
- Billy Crofford- DPW-Infrastructure
- Dana Fringer- Health\*
- Julie Hall- MFD
- James Harpole- MPD
- David Ihrcke- DPW-Operations
- Frances Jennaro- MPS\*
- Jennifer Kaine- MPD
- Dana Kraemer- Administration
- Diane Lardinois- MPD
- Joanne Mason- MPS\*
- Clarence McDowell- MPS
- Karen Moe- MPS
- Rosemary Oliveira- MPS
- Cary Rafalski- Neighborhood Services
- Kathleen Schram- DPW-Infrastructure
- Gail Schwalbach- MPS\*
- Dennis Skarr- DPW-Operations
- Suzanne Szweda- MPD
- Deborah Taylor- Municipal Court
- David Ulatowski- DPW-Infrastructure
- Erik Villarreal- MPD
- Denise Walton- Election Commission
- Kathleen Wozniak- ERS
- Jean Ziller- DPW-Infrastructure

\*Deferred retirement

**Be an Election Worker**

The City of Milwaukee Election Commission needs you! Be a leader in your community. We are looking for dependable people residing in Milwaukee County to assist as election workers at voting sites throughout the City in 2018. Election work is non-partisan and provides a great way to more fully participate in the democratic process. You can apply to work as an Election Inspector (must reside in Milwaukee County). These positions are paid: \$130/day. You must attend training which is also paid. Fluent bilingual (English/ Spanish or English/Hmong) individuals are especially encouraged to apply. The election dates in 2018 are April 3, August 14, and November 6. For applications and more information, visit [www.milwaukee.gov/election](http://www.milwaukee.gov/election) or contact us at [electionworker@milwaukee.gov](mailto:electionworker@milwaukee.gov).

**From the MRA: Celebrating 58 Years of Service**

The Milwaukee Retiree Association, Inc. was founded in 1959 by retirees concerned about protecting and improving their Pensions and other Benefits. This valuable work continues today. MRA membership is open to all retirees and their spouses who receive a pension from ERS. Join the MRA and attend their luncheon/membership meetings, receive informative newsletters to learn what is happening to your pension, health insurance, Social Security, Medicare, and more.

Fill out the application now and send it with your check for \$15 to the address at the top of the application. For questions our E-mail and phone number are also on the application. The \$10 assessment is an optional contribution.

**Do NOT send to the ERS**

**2018 MILWAUKEE RETIREE ASSOCIATION, INC 2018**

**Application/Renewal - Effective January 1 - December 31 Annually**  
 P.O. Box 342055, Milwaukee, WI 53234-2055 Phone No. 414-297-9215 leave message  
 Email: [info-mra@milwaukeeeretired.org](mailto:info-mra@milwaukeeeretired.org) Website: [www.milwaukeeeretired.org](http://www.milwaukeeeretired.org)

New Retiree Member     Spouse     Renewal    Gender:     Male     Female

Name (Print) : \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt/Unit/Lot #: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip+4 \_\_\_\_\_

Year Retired : \_\_\_\_\_ Agency/Department : \_\_\_\_\_

Your Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\$15 Annual Dues Per Member (or Spouse) AND

\$10 Optional Assessment Per Member (or Spouse)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Additional Donation for Assessment

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Additional Donation for Postage, etc.

**Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_** Please enter check/money order number \_\_\_\_\_

**Member's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_** Date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / 2018

**Make payments payable to: MILWAUKEE RETIREE ASSOCIATION, INC.** Rev: 3/1/2018  
 (The MRA effectively represents all City of Milwaukee's Employees' Retirement System retirees and spouses)